

# **State of Washington**

# **Washington Military Department**

Information Technology Department

RFP24-005

## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

for

## **WAARNG ISP Guest Network**

## INTRODUCTION

This Request for Proposals (RFP) is a competitive procurement issued by the Washington Military Department (WMD) pursuant to RCW chapter 39.26. The Washington Military Department intends to establish and award a contract for Internet service and managed equipment over 28 locations across Washington with an initial contract term of 3 or 5 years with the option to renew up to 36 months. Bids shall have a 36-month renewal option.

This RFP is divided into 5 Sections:

- Section 1 Deadlines and Questions
- Section 2 Information about the Procurement
- Section 3 How to Prepare and Submit a Proposal for this RFP
- Section 4 Proposal Evaluation
- Section 5 Contract Award

This RFP in no way obligates or otherwise commits the WMD to awarding a contract, and the WMD reserves the right to cancel this RFP if it is considered to be in the best interests of the WMD.

This RFP is contingent on available funding, and although the WMD anticipates immediate execution of the contract, there may be some delays in obtaining the necessary funds. This contingency on available funding may cause the WMD to postpone, alter, or cancel the project.

For transparency purposes, the awarded bid(s) and bid award documents will be posted on WMD's website after an award is made. Other bids will be made available upon request.

In addition, this RFP includes the following Attachments and Figures:

- Attachment A1 Bidder's Responsiveness Checklist. This attachment notates WMD's review of each proposal to determine if the proposal is complete.
- Attachment A2- Bidder's Certification: This attachment includes the Bidder's acknowledgement of their compliance with the conditions of this RFP.
- Attachment A3 Bidder's Profile: This attachment identifies the information that the Bidder must provide to the WMD.
- Attachment B1 Proposed Contract: This attachment is the proposed form of the contract to be awarded as a result of this RFP.
- Attachment B2 Contract Issues List: This attachment outlines the Bidder's issues, if any, and proposed resolution if they have any business concerns with the form of the contract to be awarded. Note, however, that the WMD reserves the right not to modify the contract and to award the contract on the basis of a Bidder's willingness to agree to the contract.
- Attachment C Performance Requirements: This attachment details the performance requirements for this RFP.
- Attachment D Bid Sheet: This attachment provides information that bidders will complete as part of their bid and the price evaluation tool that WMD will use to evaluate and compare bids.
- Attachment E Complaint, Debrief, & Protest Requirements: This attachment details the applicable requirements to file a complaint, request a debriefing conference, or file a protest regarding this RFP.
- Attachment F Diverse Business Inclusion Plan Subcontractors: This attachment details the Diverse Business Inclusion Plans that are required for bidders who plan to utilize subcontractors to perform the contract, if awarded.
- Attachment G Doing Business with the State of Washington: This attachment provides information regarding contracting with the State of Washington.

This section identifies important deadlines for this RFP and where to direct questions regarding the RFP.

Important dates: The following table identifies important dates for this RFP:

Item	Date
RFP Posting Date:	Wednesday, August 23, 2023
Pre-Bid Conference:	Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 9:00AM PST         Microsoft Teams meeting         Join on your computer, mobile app or room         device         Click here to join the meeting         Meeting ID: 242 491 637 585         Passcode: cvwZSE         Download Teams   Join on the web         Or call in (audio only)         +1 564-999-2000,,781129221#         United States,         Olympia         (833) 322-1218,,781129221#         United States (Toll-free)
	Phone Conference ID: 781 129 221# <u>Find a local number</u>   <u>Reset PIN</u>
	Learn More   Meeting options
RFP Questions Deadline:	Tuesday, September 12, 2023
RFP Questions' Responses Posted:	Monday, September 18, 2023
Deadline for Submitting Proposals:	Tuesday, October 3, 2023 by 4:30 PM PST
Anticipated Announcement of Apparent Successful Bidder:	October 12, 2023
Contract ends:	60 months from installation date, unless extended per the RFP.

The RFP (and award of the contract) is subject to complaints, debriefs, and protests as explained in **Attachment E**– Complaint, Debrief & Protest Requirements, which may impact the dates set forth above.

The WMD reserves the right to amend and modify this RFP. Only bidders who have properly registered and downloaded the original RFP directly via WEBS will receive notifications of amendments to this RFP, which bidders must download, and other correspondence pertinent to this procurement. **To be awarded a contract, bidders must be registered in WEBS.** Visit https://fortress.wa.gov/ga/webs to register.

**Questions**: Questions or concerns regarding this RFP must be directed to the following Procurement Coordinator:

RFP Procurement Coordinator	
Name:	Alyssa Pearson, Contracts & Procurement Administrator
Telephone:	253-433-5581
Email:	contracts.office@mil.wa.gov

## SECTION 2 - INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROCUREMENT

- **2.1. PURPOSE OF THE PROCUREMENT**. The purpose of this Competitive Solicitation is to receive competitive bids to evaluate and, as appropriate, award a Contract for WMD to procure Internet Services and provider managed/leased network equipment, as set forth herein. Pursuant to Washington's Procurement Code for Goods and Services, RCW chap. 39.26, state agency purchases of goods and services must be based on a competitive solicitation process in which the Contract is awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder.
- **2.2. SCOPE OF WORK OF THE PROCUREMENT.**

#### Overview

This project will be a design build and cover the items listed in this statement of work for Internet Service and equipment. The Service Description defines services the Contractor will deliver during this engagement. The service engagement will be a period five years with the option to renew for an additional 36 months. Each parties' responsibilities are defined to provide a clear understanding of the scope of services the Contractor will perform.

The Contractor will strive to meet Washington Military Department (WMD) schedule requirements; however, it is understood actual project dates may be subject to availability of materials, resources and the Washington Army National Guard's (WAARNG) / Washington Military Department facility access. The WAARNG is an Emergency Management entity and may be called upon to activate during an emergency, which may impact the project timeline.

## **Service Description**

The services and materials required for this contract will be outlined in a the Bidder's supplied statement of work/work plan prior to initiation of contract during the bid process. The Contractor will supply all materials necessary to complete the project described in in this scope of work and must be addressed in the Bidder's response to this RFP. The chosen Contractor will assume

responsibilities of installations and finishing configurations of purchased/leased products, which may include assuming configuration and management of existing Meraki Wireless Access Points.

Each location listed below will require variations in speed and equipment as outlined. Equipment utilized in the network will be Cisco Certified and TAA compliant. All wireless access points (WAP) will be Cisco Meraki, as to delineate between existing wireless infrastructure utilized at locations by other networks. All internet connections will be scalable in the event of disaster or emergency needs to increase bandwidth. Access to each site will be coordinated with the WAARNG/WMD point of contact.

The primary goal is to create a secure wireless access to the internet at each WAARNG/WMD location across Washington State.

## **Deliverables - SCOPE**

The Contractor shall deliver the products and services listed and outlined in the contract in the time frame outlined. Substitutions will not be accepted, and all goods will be verified for quantity, brand, model and authenticity in new, unused condition. Items will be accepted and paid for based on stipulations outlined in the State procurement documentation. All products must be TAA compliant if applicable and checked for compliance with federally banned IT products. No gray market items will be accepted.

All WAP installations will utilize existing CAT6 structured cable in each building listed below. All routers and switches will be mounted and secured in existing telecommunications rooms. Post delivery service and maintenance touch labor, site access, will be coordinated in advance with the WAARNG G6 Telecommunications Group.

#### **Site Information**

## Wenatchee Airport – AASF2 – 1 Campbell Park Way, East Wenatchee 98802

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Walla Walla Armory – 113 S Colville St, Walla Walla 99362

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Bremerton RC – 1207 Carver St, Bremerton 98312

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

## Wenatchee Armory – 1230 5<sup>th</sup> St, Wenatchee 98801

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Pasco Armory – 127 W Clark St, Pasco 99301

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Marysville AFRC – 13613 40<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Marysville 98271

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Fairchild AFB – 110 N Foulois Ave, 99011

200 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Vancouver AFRC – 15005 NE 65<sup>th</sup> St, Vancouver 98682

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Snohomish Armory – 1501 Ave D, Snohomish 98290

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Seattle Armory – 1601 W Armory Way, Seattle 98119

200 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Spokane RC – 1629 North Rebecca St, Spokane 99217

1000 MBPS bandwidth, 10 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Redmond Armory – 17230 NE 95<sup>th</sup> St, Redmond 98052

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Sedro Wooley FMS – 1805 Thompson Dr, Sedro Wooley 98284

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Montesano Armory – 21 Clemens Rd N, Montesano 98563

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Anacortes Armory – 2219 M Ave, Anacortes 98221

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Kent Armory – 24410 Military Rd S, Kent 98032

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Yakima RC – 2501 Airport Ln, Yakima 98903

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Tri-Cities RC – 2655 1<sup>st</sup> St, Richland 99354

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Centralia Armory – 309 Byrd St, Centralia 98531

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Ephrata Armory – 426 A St SE, Ephrata 98823

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Buckley Armory – 455 N River Ave, Buckley 98321

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

#### Moses Lake Armory – 6500 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave NE, Moses Lake 98837

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

## Grandview RC – 800 Wallace Way, Grandview 98930

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

## Longview Armory – 819 Vandercook Way, Longview 98632

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

## Thurston County RC – 8303 Kimmie St SW, Tumwater 98512

100 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

Requires OSP fiber from last mile carrier to be installed.

## Geiger Field Armory – 8700 W Electric Ave, Spokane 99224

50 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

## Yakima Training Center (YTC) – 970 Firing Center Rd, Yakima 98901

500 MBPS bandwidth, 1 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

## Camp Murray/JBLM – 19 Aviation Dr, Camp Murray 98430

5000 MBPS bandwidth, 10 GBPS Port. One provider managed gateway router.

## Requirements

All Contractor will review and agree on the requirements set forth in the Washington Army National Guard Telecommunications Planning Guide-Products and Installation (March 2022 version) if any cabling infrastructure is required. A copy of the guide will be posted to WEBs. Work must begin on or before October 31, 2023, but no earlier than October 1, 2023.

All provider managed ISP connections and routers will be installed and configured by the service provider. All ongoing maintenance will be the responsibility of the service provider and should be accounted for in the initial offering and subsequent contract in order to be considered.

The Contractor shall certify that it is a Cisco Authorized Channel as of the date of the submission of their offer, and that it has the certification/specialization level required by Cisco to support both the product sale/leasing and product pricing, in accordance with the applicable Cisco certification/specialization requirements. Unless otherwise specified, Contractor shall warrant that the products are new and in their original box (Leased Items exempt with vendor maintenance). The Contractor confirms to have sourced all Cisco products submitted in this offer from Cisco or through Cisco Authorized Channels only, in accordance with all applicable laws and current Cisco's applicable policies at the time of purchase. Contractor shall provide the WMD with a copy of the End User license agreement and shall warrant that all Cisco Software is licensed originally to the WMD as the original licensee authorized to use the Cisco Software. Contractor shall be a Cisco Certified Gold Partner as of the date of the submission of their offer and have CCIE level staff on hand for support before and after the sale. All components must be TAA compliant.

This brand protection statement was added to this purchase due to the existing equipment already on the Army National Guard network requiring additional Cisco equipment or an upgrade to existing equipment. Bearing in mind that deviating from the existing infrastructure would be too costly and time consuming.

- **2.3 CONTRACT TERM.** Vendor will provide three- and five-year pricing to include all maintenance and ongoing service agreements. The awarded contract may be extended up to 36 months, if necessary, due to funding or time constraints.
- **2.4 ESTIMATED CONTRACT VALUE**. Although WMD <u>does not</u> represent or guarantee any minimum purchase from the Contract, WMD anticipates purchasing internet services, equipment leasing and service management up to \$360,000.00 annually or \$1,800,00.00 over five years.
- **2.5 CONDITIONS OF WORKING ON-SITE.** Successful Bidders must be willing to work on the WAARNG/WMD installations during normal business hours and on the availability of site personnel. Generally, this is Tuesday through Friday from 7:00 am through 4:30 pm. Any site work NOT within the agency's core hours is to be coordinated and scheduled a minimum of one (1) week in advance of the site visit. This will allow personnel to be present and available during those hours. Failure to provide advance notice may result in temporary denial of access to the installation and/or time delays and interruptions of daily operations at Camp Murray.
- 2.6 SUBCONTRACTOR PARTICIPATION MONITORING AND REPORTING Once a contract is awarded through the solicitation or proposal process, the awarded Prime Contractor is obligated to complete the vendor registration in Access Equity. Access Equity is a secure online vendor management system (B2GNow). Confidential information (Tax ID, etc.) will not be published. Prime Contractors that have previously registered with B2Gnow for any public entity, must verify the system has updated information. Contractors can access the system at https://omwbe.diversitycompliance.com/ or through a direct link on the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE) website at: https://omwbe.wa.gov/.

Each month during the contract, the Prime Contractor will report payments to ALL Subcontractors through the Access Equity system. This monthly reporting information includes total payment in dollars made to the Subcontractor, payment dates, and any additional information required to verify payment to Subcontractors. The Prime Contractor will enter this payment information into the Access Equity system, and the Subcontractors will verify this payment information in the system. Online training is available through the Access Equity/B2Gnow system. This requirement applies to both Prime Contractors and Subcontractors.

#### SECTION 3 - HOW TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A PROPOSAL FOR THIS RFP

This section identifies how to prepare and submit a proposal to the WMD for this RFP. By responding to this RFP and submitting a bid, bidder acknowledges having read and understood the entire RFP and accepts all information contained within this RFP.

- **3.1. Pre-Bid Conference**. WMD will host a Competitive Solicitation pre-bid conference at the time and location indicated in Section 1 of this Competitive Solicitation. Attendance is not mandatory. Bidders, however, are encouraged to attend and participate. The purpose of the pre-bid conference is to clarify the Competitive Solicitation as needed and raise any issues or concerns that bidders may have. If changes to the Competitive Solicitation are required as a result of the pre-bid conference, the Procurement Coordinator will post an amendment to this Competitive Solicitation to WEBS. Assistance for disabled, blind, or hearing-impaired persons who wish to attend the pre-bid conference is available with prior arrangement by contacting the Procurement Coordinator.
- **3.2. BIDDER COMMUNICATIONS AND QUESTIONS.** During the RFP process, all bidder communications regarding this RFP must be directed to the Procurement Coordinator as set forth in **Section 1** of

this RFP. Bidders should rely only on this RFP and written amendments to the RFP issued by the Procurement Coordinator. In no event will oral communications regarding the RFP be binding.

- Bidders are encouraged to make any inquiry regarding the RFP as early in the process as
  possible to allow WMD to consider and, if warranted, respond to the inquiry. If a bidder
  does not notify WMD of an issue, exception, addition, or omission, WMD may consider
  the matter waived by the bidder for protest purposes.
- If bidder inquiries result in changes to the RFP, written amendments to the RFP will be issued and posted on WEBS.
- Unauthorized contact regarding this RFP with other state employees involved with the RFP may result in bidder disqualification.
- **3.3. PRICING**. Proposal prices must include all cost components needed for the delivery of the goods and/or services as described in this RFP. A bidder's failure to identify all costs in a manner consistent with the instructions in this RFP is sufficient grounds for disqualification.

Inclusive Pricing: Bidders must identify and include all cost elements in their pricing. In the event that bidder is awarded a contract, the total price for the goods and/or services shall be bidder's price as submitted. Except as provided in the contract, there shall be no additional costs of any kind.

- Credit Cards (P-Cards): In the event that bidder is awarded a Contract, the total price for the goods and/or services shall be the same regardless of whether Purchasers make payment by cash, credit card, or electronic payment. Bidder shall bear, in full, any processing or surcharge fees associated with the use of credit cards or electronic payment.
- **3.4. PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST REQUIRED PROPOSAL SUBMITTALS**. This section identifies the proposal submittals that must be provided to WMD to constitute a responsive proposal. The checklist provided below includes all of the documentation that must be submitted to be considered a complete proposal. Proposals that do not include the submittals identified below may be rejected as nonresponsive. In addition, a bidder's failure to complete any submittal as instructed may result in the proposal being rejected. The submittals must be delivered electronically as set forth below.

Bidders must identify each of the submittals and any supplemental materials with Bidder's name and the following naming convention:

#### □ ATTACHMENT A2 – BIDDER'S CERTIFICATION

Complete the certification (insert name of bidder, date, and sign), attach to the proposal and submit to the Washington Military Department.

## ATTACHMENT A3 – BIDDER'S PROFILE

This document is required information for contract administration purposes. Complete as instructed and submit with the proposal to the Washington Military Department.

#### ATTACHMENT B2 – CONTRACT ISSUES LIST (IF APPLICABLE)

If Bidder has any business concerns related to **Attachment B1** – Proposed Contract, Bidder will need to complete **Attachment B2** – Contract Issues List template and include with the proposal to the Washington Military Department.

#### □ ATTACHMENT C – PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Bidder will need to confirm that bidder's goods and/or services and/or bidder's performance meets or exceeds the detailed specifications/qualifications set forth in *Attachment C* – Performance Requirements and submit it with the bid to WMD.

ATTACHMENT D – BID SHEET

Bidder must include a completed bid sheet.

ATTACHMENT F – DIVERSE BUSINESS INCLUSION PLAN – SUBCONTRACTORS (IF APPLICABLE) Bidders who plan to utilize subcontracts to perform the contract, if awarded, must fill out the Bidder's Diverse Business Inclusion Plan – Subcontractors in Section 3 of Attachment F.

#### PROPOSED WORKPLAN & SCHEDULE IN RESPONSE TO THE SCOPE OF WORK

Bidder must include a workplan and schedule for the proposed scope of work.

#### **PREVIOUS PROJECTS OF SIMILAR OR LIKE EXPERIENCE**

Bidder must include a list of projects of similar or like experience.

□ RESUMES OF KEY PERSONNEL

Bidder must include resumes of key personnel that will be assigned to this project.

- **3.5. PROPOSAL FORMAT.** Proposals must be complete, legible, and, as applicable, signed. Unless otherwise specified in writing by WMD, documents included must be prepared in MS Word, MS Excel, or Adobe PDF. The proposal must be signed by a person authorized to contract for the Bidder.
- **3.6.** SUBMITTING PROPOSALS. Your proposal must be delivered as follows:

SUBMITTING PROPOSALS		
	contracts.office@mil.wa.gov	
Email Proposal To:	Subject Line:	
	(Bidder Name) Response to RFP24-005	

The proposal must be received by the RFP Procurement Coordinator no later than **Tuesday**, **October 3**, **2023** at **4:30PM PST**. Late proposals will not be accepted and will be automatically disqualified from further consideration. All proposals and any accompanying documentation become the property of WMD and will not be returned.

*Note*: WMD email boxes only can accept emails that total less than 30MB in size. Bidders are cautioned to keep email sizes to less than 25MB to ease delivery. *Zipped files cannot be accepted*.

## SECTION 4 - PROPOSAL EVALUATION

This section identifies how the WMD will evaluate RFP proposals. The evaluation of the RFP response will be based only upon information provided, or associated, with the Bidder's response to this document, including references. In light of this requirement, Bidders should take every precaution to assure that references can answer all pertinent questions posed of them and that answers to RFP items are complete.

- **4.1. OVERVIEW**. The WMD will evaluate proposals for this RFP as described below.
  - The WMD reserves the right to determine a Bidder's compliance with the requirements specified in this RFP, request clarification, and to waive informalities in a proposal. An informality is an immaterial variation from the exact requirements of the competitive RFP, having no effect or merely a minor or negligible effect on quality, quantity, or performance of the services being procured, and the correction or waiver of which would not affect the relative standing of, or be otherwise prejudicial, to bidders.
  - The WMD reserves the right to: (1) Waive any informality; (2) Reject any or all proposals, or portions thereof; (3) Accept any portion of the items proposed unless the bidder stipulates all or nothing in their proposal; (4) Cancel an RFP and re-solicit proposals; and/or (5) Negotiate with the highest scored responsive and responsible bidder to determine if that proposal can be improved.

• The WMD will use the following evaluation criteria for an award of a contract:

EVALUATION SCORING AND CRITERIA		
The following points/awards will be assigned to the proposal for evaluation purposes (maximums):		
Bid Responsiveness	Pass/Fail	
Responsibility	Pass/Fail	
Attachment C – Performance Requirements	25 points	
Proposed statement of work/work plan & schedule in response to the scope of work	10 points	
Attachment D – Bid Sheet	30 points	
Previous projects of similar or like experience	10 points	
State Procurement Priorities		
Executive Order 18-03	5 points	
Washington Small Business	5 points	
Certified Veteran-Owned Business	5 points	

- **4.2. RESPONSIVENESS.** The WMD will review proposals on a pass/fail basis to determine whether the proposal is 'responsive' to this RFP. This means that WMD will review each proposal to determine whether the proposal is complete (i.e., does the proposal include each of the required proposal submittals, are the submittals complete, signed, legible?). WMD reserves the right in its sole discretion to determine whether a proposal is responsive. Bidders whose proposals are determined to be non-responsive will be rejected and will be notified of the reasons for this rejection. See **Attachment A1** for a checklist of responsiveness.
- **4.3. RESPONSIBILITY ANALYSIS.** The WMD will review Bidder's responses to **Attachment C** Performance Requirements and make reasonable inquiry to determine the Bidder's responsibility. The WMD's assigned Evaluation Team will determine Bidder responsibility on a pass/fail basis.

The WMD may request record of past performance, clarification of a Bidder's offer, on-site inspection of a Bidder's or subcontractor's facilities, or other information as necessary. WMD may use references to confirm satisfactory customer service, performance, satisfaction with service/product, knowledge of products/service/industry and timeliness. The WMD reserves the right to be its own reference. Any negative or unsatisfactory reference can be reason for rejecting a bidder as non-responsible.

- **4.4. PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS AND PRICE EVALUATION**. The WMD's assigned Evaluation Team will evaluate and score Bidder's responses to this RFP.
- **4.5.** WASHINGTON STATE PROCUREMENT PRIORITIES & PREFERENCES. WMD will apply the following Washington State procurement priorities and preferences, as set forth below, to this Competitive Solicitation
  - Procurement Preference for Executive Order 18-03 (Firms without Mandatory Individual Arbitration for Employees). Pursuant to RCW 39.26.160(3) (best value criteria) and consistent with Executive Order 18-03 Supporting Workers' Rights to Effectively Address Workplace Violations (dated June 12, 2018). Enterprise Services will evaluate bids for best value, and provide a bid preference in the amount of five (5) points to any bidder who certifies, pursuant to the Bidder Certification attached as Attachment A Bidder Certification, that their firm does NOT require its employees, as a condition of employment, to sign or agree to mandatory individual arbitration clauses or class or collective action waiver.
  - Procurement Preference for Small Businesses. In furtherance of Washington's business inclusion goals, Enterprise Services will evaluate bids for best value and provide a bid preference in the amount of five (5) points to any bidder that documents its status as a Washington Small Business per RCW 39.26.010. Bidders who wish to document their small business status may do so in the designated boxes in *Exhibit A-1 Bidder Certification*. A Washington Small Business is an instate business, including a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, or other legal entity, that certifies on <u>WEBS</u>, under penalty of perjury, that it is owned and operated independently from all other businesses and has either:
    - Fifty or fewer employees; or
    - A gross revenue of less than \$7 million annually as reported on its federal income tax return of its return filed with the Department of Revenue over the previous three consecutive years.
  - Procurement Preference for Veteran-Owned Businesses. In furtherance of Washington's business inclusion goals, Enterprise Services will evaluate bids for best value and provide a bid preference in the amount of five (5) points to any bidder who certifies, pursuant to the Bidder Certification attached as <u>Attachment A Bidder Certification</u>, that their firm is a certified Veteran-Owned business under RCW 43.60A.190, and identified as such on <u>WEBS</u> (which is confirmed by the Washington Department of Veterans' Affairs).

**4.6. CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS.** The WMD will negotiate with the Top Bidder(s) to finalize contract terms and to determine if the proposal may be improved. If, after a reasonable period of time, WMD, in its judgement, cannot reach agreement on acceptable contract terms with the Top Bidder(s), WMD may suspend negotiations and undertake negotiations with the next Bidder as determined by the evaluations.

## SECTION 5 - CONTRACT AWARD

- **5.1 ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPARENT SUCCESSFUL BIDDER**. The WMD will determine the Apparent Successful Bidder(s) (ASB). The ASB will be the responsive and responsible Bidder(s), whose proposal, in the sole opinion of the WMD, best meets the requirements of this RFP and presents the best total value to the WMD.
  - Designation as an ASB does not imply that the WMD will issue an award for a contract to your firm. Rather, this designation allows the WMD to perform further analysis and ask for additional documentation. A Bidder's failure to provide requested information to WMD within ten (10) business days may result in disqualification. The Bidder must not construe this as an award, impending award, attempt to negotiate, etc. If a Bidder acts or fails to act as a result of this notification, it does so at its own risk and expense.
  - Upon announcement of the ASB, bidders may request a debriefing conference as specified in Attachment E – Complaint, Debrief & Protest Requirements.
- **5.2 CONTRACT EXECUTION**. Subject to protests, if any, the WMD and the ASB will enter into a contract as set forth in **Attachment B1** Proposed Contract.
  - An award, in part or full, is made and a contract formed by signature of the WMD and awarded Bidder on the contract. The WMD reserves the right to award on an all-ornothing consolidated basis.
  - Following the award of the contract, all Bidders will receive a Notice of Award, usually through an email to the Bidder's email address provided in the bidder's proposal.
- **5.3 ADDITIONAL AWARDS.** WMD reserves the right, during the resulting Contract term, to make additional Contract awards to responsive, responsible bidders who provided a bid but who were not awarded a Contract. Such awards would be on the same or substantially similar terms and conditions and would be designed to address a Contractor vacancy (e.g., a contractor is terminated or goes out of business) or be in the best interest of the State of Washington.

## Attachment A1

## **BIDDER'S RESPONSIVENESS CHECKLIST**

 Proposal was submitted on or before, Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at 4:30PM PST.		
If NO, stop her	e as the Proposal is immediately non-responsive.	
 Bidder provide	d all required attachments:	
	Attachment A2 – Bidder's Certification	
	Attachment A3 – Bidder Profile	
	Attachment B2 – Contract Issues List (if applicable)	
	Attachment C – Performance Requirements	
	Attachment D – Bid Price	
	Attachment F - Diverse Business Inclusion Plan – Subcontractors	
	Proposed Statement of Work/Work Plan and Schedule	
	Projects of Similar or Like Experience	
	Resumes of Key Personnel	
 Proposal demo	onstrates that the Bidder is capable/responsible to provide the services.	
 Bidder's Certification and Proposal were signed by an individual authorized to bind the Bidder to a contractual relationship.		

Notes:

Competitive Solicitation:	No. RFP24-005		
Bidder:	Type/print full legal name of Bidder		
Bidder's Address:	Type/print Bidder's Address		
Bidder Organization Type:	Corporation:	Domestic	Foreign
Check appropriate box	Limited Liability Company (LLC):	Domestic	□ Foreign
	Partnership:	Domestic	□ Foreign
	Sole Proprietorship:		
State of Formation:	Type/print the state where the corporation, LLC, or partnership is formed – e.g., 'Washington' if domestic and the name of the state if 'Foreign' (i.e., not Washington)		

## **BIDDER'S CERTIFICATION**

Bidder, through the duly authorized undersigned, makes this certification as a required element of submitting a responsive bid. Bidder certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the following are true, complete, correct, and made in good faith:

- 1. UNDERSTANDING. Bidder certifies that Bidder has read, thoroughly examined, and fully understands all of the provisions in the Competitive Solicitation (including all attachments) and the terms and conditions of the Contract and any amendments or clarifications to the Competitive Solicitation, and agrees to abide by the same.
- 2. ACCURACY. Bidder certifies that Bidder has carefully prepared and reviewed its bid and fully supports the accuracy of the same. Bidder further understands and acknowledges that WMD shall not be responsible for any errors or omission on the part of Bidder in preparing its bid. Bidder certifies that the facts declared here are true and accurate. Bidder further understands and acknowledges that the continuing compliance with these statements and all requirements of the Competitive Solicitation are conditions precedent to the award or continuation of the resulting Contract.
- 3. No Collusion or ANTI-COMPETITIVE PRACTICES. Bidder certifies that Bidder has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with this Competitive Solicitation. Bidder certifies that Bidder's bid prices have been arrived at independently, without engaging in collusion, bid rigging, or any other illegal activity, and without for the purpose of restricting competition any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder or competitor relating to (a) those prices, (b) the intention to submit a bid, or (c) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered. Bidder certifies that Bidder or competitor before award of a Contract, unless otherwise required by law. Bidder certifies that Bidder has made no attempt and shall not make any attempt to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition. Bidder, however, freely may join with other persons or organizations for the purpose of presenting a bid.

- 4. FIRM OFFER. Bidder certifies that its bid, attached hereto, is a firm offer which cannot be withdrawn for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days from and after the bid due date specified in the Competitive Solicitation. WMD may accept such bid, with or without further negotiation, at any time within such period. In the event of a protest, Bidder's bid shall remain valid for such period or until the protest and any related court action is resolved, whichever is later.
- 5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST. Bidder certifies that, in preparing this bid, Bidder has not been assisted by any current or former employee of the State of Washington whose duties relate (or did relate) to this Competitive Solicitation, or prospective Contract, and who was assisting in other than his or her official, public capacity. Neither does such a person nor any member of his or her immediate family have any financial interest in the outcome of this bid.
- 6. NO REIMBURSEMENT. Bidder certifies that Bidder understands that the State of Washington will not reimburse Bidder for any costs incurred in the preparation of this bid. All bids become the property of the State of Washington, and Bidder claims no proprietary right to the ideas, writings, items, or samples unless so stated in the bid.
- 7. PERFORMANCE. Bidder certifies that Bidder understands that its submittal of a bid and execution of this Bidder's Certification certifies bidder's willingness to comply with the Contract, if awarded such. By submitting this bid, Bidder hereby offers to furnish the goods and/or services solicited pursuant to this Competitive Solicitation in compliance with all terms, conditions, and performance requirements contained in this Competitive Solicitation and the resulting Contract or, if applicable, as detailed on a Contract Issues List, if permitted, in this Competitive Solicitation.
- 8. INSURANCE. Bidder certifies as follows (*must check one*):
  - □ BIDDER HAS REQUIRED INSURANCE. Bidder <u>has</u> attached a current, valid Certificate of Insurance for each and all of the required insurance coverages as specified in the Contract (note: Bidder must attach the Insurance Certificate).

□ BIDDER WILL OBTAIN REQUIRED INSURANCE. Bidder does not have a current, valid Certificate of Insurance for each and all of the required insurance coverages as specified in the Contract but, if designated as the Apparent Successful Bidder, Bidder will provide such a Certificate of Insurance, without exception of any kind, to WMD within twenty-four (24) hours of such designation or notification by WMD or be deemed a nonresponsive bid.

OR

- BIDDER DOES NOT HAVE REQUIRED INSURANCE. As detailed on the attached explanation (Bidder to provide), Bidder does not have a current, valid Certificate of Insurance for each and all of the required insurance coverages as specified in the Contract and, if designated as the Apparent Successful Bidder would not be able to provide such a Certificate of Insurance to WMD within twenty-four (24) hours of such designation.
- 9. DEBARMENT. Bidder certifies as follows (*must check one*):
  - □ *No DEBARMENT*. Bidder and/or its principals are <u>not</u> presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from contracting with any federal, state, or local governmental entity.

□ *DEBARRED*. As detailed on the attached explanation (Bidder to provide), Bidder and/or its principals presently are debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from contracting with a federal, state, or local governmental entity.

- 10. CRIMINAL OFFENSE. Bidder certifies as follows (*must check one*):
  - □ No CRIMINAL OFFENSE. Bidder and its officers, directors, and managers have <u>not</u>, within the three (3) year period preceding the date of this Competitive Solicitation, been convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against Bidder or such officers, directors, and managers for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a governmental contract; violation of any federal or state antitrust statute; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property. Bidder further certifies that Bidder and its officers, directors, and managers are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in this paragraph.

- □ *CRIMINAL OFFENSE*. As detailed on the attached explanation (Bidder to provide), within the three (3) year period preceding the date of this Competitive Solicitation, Bidder or its officers, directors, or managers have been convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against Bidder or such officers, directors, or managers for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a governmental contract; violation of any federal or state antitrust statute; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.
- 11. WAGE THEFT PREVENTION. Bidder certifies as follows (must check one):
  - □ No WAGE VIOLATIONS. Bidder has <u>NOT</u> been determined by a final and binding citation and notice of assessment issued by the Washington Department of Labor and Industries or through a civil judgment entered by a court of limited or general jurisdiction to have willfully violated, as defined in <u>RCW 49.48.082</u>, any provision of <u>RCW 49.46</u>, <u>RCW 9.48</u>, or <u>RCW 49.52</u> within three (3) years prior to the date of the above-referenced Competitive Solicitation date.

OR

- □ VIOLATIONS OF WAGE LAWS. Bidder has been determined by a final and binding citation and notice of assessment issued by the Washington Department of Labor and Industries or through a civil judgment entered by a court of limited or general jurisdiction to have willfully violated, as defined in <u>RCW 49.48.082</u>, a provision of <u>RCW 49.46</u>, <u>RCW 49.48</u>, or <u>RCW 49.52</u> within three (3) years prior to the date of the above-referenced Competitive Solicitation date.
- 12. WORKERS' RIGHTS (EXECUTIVE ORDER 18-03). Bidder certifies as follows (must check one):
  - □ No MANDATORY INDIVIDUAL ARBITRATION CLAUSES AND CLASS OR COLLECTIVE ACTION WAIVERS FOR EMPLOYEES. Bidder does <u>NOT</u> require its employees, as a condition of employment, to sign or agree to mandatory individual arbitration clauses or class or collective action waivers.

OR

- □ MANDATORY INDIVIDUAL ARBITRATION CLAUSES AND CLASS OR COLLECTIVE ACTION WAIVERS FOR EMPLOYEES. Bidder requires its employees, as a condition of employment, to sign or agree to mandatory individual arbitration clauses or class or collective action waivers.
- 13. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT OR CAUSE. Bidder certifies as follows (must check one):
  - □ No TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT OR CAUSE. Bidder has <u>not</u>, within the three (3) year period preceding the date of this Competitive Solicitation, had one (1) or more federal, state, or local governmental contracts terminated for cause or default.

- TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT OR CAUSE. As detailed on the attached explanation (Bidder to provide), within the three (3) year period preceding the date of this Competitive Solicitation, Bidder has had one (1) or more federal, state, or local governmental contracts terminated for cause or default.
- 14. TAXES. Bidder certifies as follows (must check one):
  - □ *TAXES PAID*. Except as validly contested, Bidder is <u>not</u> delinquent and has paid or has arranged for payment of all taxes due to the State of Washington and has filed all required returns and reports as applicable.

- DELINQUENT TAXES. As detailed on the attached explanation (Bidder to provide), Bidder has not paid or arranged for payment of all taxes due to the State of Washington and/or has not timely filed all required returns and reports as applicable.
- 15. LAWFUL REGISTRATION. Bidder, if conducting business other than as a sole proprietorship (e.g., Bidder is a corporation, limited liability company, partnership) certifies as follows (*must check one*):
  - □ *CURRENT LAWFUL REGISTRATION*. Bidder is in good standing in the State of Washington and the jurisdiction where Bidder is organized, including having timely filed all required annual reports.

OR

- □ DELINQUENT REGISTRATION. As detailed on the attached explanation (Bidder to provide), Bidder currently is not in good standing in the State of Washington and/or the jurisdiction where Bidder is organized.
- 16. REGISTRATION WITH WASHINGTON SECRETARY OF STATE. Bidder certifies as follows (must check one):
  - □ BIDDER IS REGISTERED WITH WASHINGTON SECRETARY OF STATE. Bidder is registered with the Washington Secretary of State, is in good standing, and has the following Unified Business Identifier (UBI) number: \_\_\_\_\_.

OR

BIDDER WILL REGISTER WITH WASHINGTON SECRETARY OF STATE. Bidder is not registered with the Washington Secretary of State but, if designated as the Apparent Successful Bidder, Bidder will register with the Washington Secretary of State and obtain a UBI number within twenty-four (24) hours of such designation or notification by WMD or be deemed a nonresponsive bid.

OR

- □ BIDDER IS NOT REGISTERED WITH WASHINGTON SECRETARY OF STATE. Bidder is not registered with the Washington Secretary of State and Bidder declines to register with the Washington Secretary of State. Note: WMD requires all awarded bidders (including Washington firms and out of state firms) to be registered with the Washington Secretary of State. Bidders who are not registered will not be awarded a Contract.
- 17. REGISTRATION WITH WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE. Bidder certifies as follows (must check one):
  - □ BIDDER IS REGISTERED WITH WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE. Bidder is registered with the Washington State Department of Revenue, has a business license to do business in Washington, and has the following Unified Business Identifier (UBI) number: \_\_\_\_\_\_.

□ BIDDER WILL REGISTER WITH WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE. Bidder is not registered with the Washington State Department of Revenue but, if designated as the Apparent Successful Bidder, Bidder will register with the Washington State Department of Revenue and obtain a business license within twenty-four (24) hours of such designation or notification by WMD or be deemed a nonresponsive bid.

#### OR

- □ BIDDER IS NOT REGISTERED WITH WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE. Bidder is not registered with the Washington State Department of Revenue and Bidder declines to register with the Washington State Department of Revenue. Note: WMD requires all awarded bidders (including Washington firms and out of state firms) to be registered with the Washington State Department of Revenue. Bidders who are not registered will not be awarded a Contract.
- 18. SUBCONTRACTORS. Bidder certifies as follows (*must check one*):
  - □ *No Subcontractors*. If awarded a Contract, Bidder will <u>not</u> utilize subcontractors to provide the goods and/or services subject to this Competitive Solicitation.

OR

- □ *SUBCONTRACTORS.* As detailed on the attached explanation (Bidder to provide), If awarded a Contract, Bidder will utilize subcontractors to provide the goods and/or services subject to this Competitive Solicitation. In such event, Bidder certifies that, as to WMD, Bidder shall retain responsibility for its subcontractors, including, without limitation, liability for any subcontractor's acts or omissions. Note: Bidder must provide the precise legal name (including state of organization), business address, and federal tax identification number (TIN) for each subcontractor. Note: Do not provide any SSN.
- 19. WASHINGTON SMALL BUSINESS. Bidder certifies as follows (*must check one*):
  - □ WASHINGTON SMALL BUSINESS. Bidder is a Washington Small Business as defined in RCW 39.26.010. To qualify as a Washington Small Business, Bidder must meet three (3) requirements:
    - Location. Bidder's principal office/place of business must be located in and identified as being in the State of Washington. A principal office or principal place of business is a firm's headquarters where business decisions are made and the location for the firm's books and records as well as the firm's senior management personnel.
    - Size. Bidder must be owned and operated independently from all other businesses and have either: (a) fifty (50) or fewer employees; or (b) gross revenue of less than seven million dollars (\$7,000,000) annually as reported on Bidder's federal income tax return or its return filed with the Washington State Department of Revenue over the previous three consecutive years.
    - WEBS Certification. Bidder must have certified its Washington Small Business status in Washington's Electronic Business Solution (<u>WEBS</u>).

OR

- □ NOT WASHINGTON SMALL BUSINESS. Bidder is not a Washington Small Business as defined in RCW 39.26.010.
- 20. VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESS. Bidder certifies as follows (must check one):
  - □ CERTIFIED VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESS. Bidder is a Certified Veteran-Owned Business under RCW 43.60A.190. To qualify as a Certified Veteran-Owned Business, Bidder must meet four

- (4) requirements:
  - *51% Ownership*. Bidder must be at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned and controlled by:
    - A veteran as defined as every person who at the time he or she seeks certification has received a discharge with an honorable characterization or received a discharge for medical reasons with an honorable record, where applicable, and who has served in at least one of the capacities listed in RCW 41.04.007;
    - A person who is in receipt of disability compensation or pension from the department of veterans affairs; or
    - An active or reserve member in any branch of the armed forces of the United States, including the national guard, coast guard, and armed forces reserves.
  - Washington Incorporation/Location. Bidder must be <u>either</u> an entity that is incorporated in the state of Washington as a Washington domestic corporation <u>or, if not incorporated</u>, an entity whose principal place of business is located within the State of Washington.
  - WEBS Certification. Bidder must have certified its Veteran-Owned business status in Washington's Electronic Business Solution (<u>WEBS</u>).
  - WDVA Certification. Bidder must have provided certification documentation to the Washington Department of Veterans' Affairs WDVA) and be certified by WDVA and listed as such on WDVA's website (<u>WDVA – Veteran-Owned</u> <u>Businesses</u>).

- □ *NOT A CERTIFIED VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESS*. Bidder is not a Certified Veteran-Owned Business under RCW 43.60A.190.
- 21. WASHINGTON STATE ENTERPRISE LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION. Bidder certifies as follows (*must check one*):
  - □ UNDERSTANDS & WILL FOLLOW WASHINGTON STATE ENTERPRISE LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES. Bidder has reviewed, understands, and if awarded a Contract, will follow the <u>Washington State</u> <u>Enterprise Leadership Competencies</u> in performing such Contract and, if utilizing subcontractors, will ensure that such subcontractors also follow the Washington State Enterprise Leadership Competencies in performing such Contract.

OR

- DOES NOT FOLLOW WASHINGTON STATE ENTERPRISE LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES. Bidder does not follow the Washington State Enterprise Leadership Competencies.
- 22. SOFTWARE, EQUIPMENT, PERSONNEL, & SUPPLIES. Bidder certifies as follows (must check one):
  - □ *HAS SOFTWARE, EQUIPMENT, PERSONNEL, & SUPPLIES.* Bidder currently possess all necessary software, equipment, qualified personnel, and supplies to provide the services as defined in the solicitation.

OR

□ WILL OBTAIN SOFTWARE, EQUIPMENT, PERSONNEL, & SUPPLIES. Bidder does not currently possess all necessary software, equipment, qualified personnel, and supplies to provide the services as defined in the solicitation, but, if designated as the Apparent Successful Bidder, Bidder will

provide evidence satisfactory to WMD that it has obtained and possess all necessary software, equipment, qualified personnel, and supplies to provide the services as defined in the solicitation, without exception of any kind, to WMD within twenty-four (24) hours of such designation or notification by WMD or be deemed a nonresponsive bid.

OR

- DOES NOT HAVE SOFTWARE, EQUIPMENT, PERSONNEL, & SUPPLIES. Bidder currently does not possess all necessary software, equipment, qualified personnel, and supplies to provide the services as defined in the solicitation.
- 23. REFERENCES. Bidder certifies that the references provided to WMD have worked with Bidder and that such individuals and firms have full permission, without any additional requirement or release, to provide such references and information to WMD, Bidder hereby authorizes WMD (or its agent) to contact Bidder's references and others who may have pertinent information regarding Bidder's prior experience and ability to perform the Contract, if awarded. Bidder hereby authorizes such individuals and firms to provide such references and release to WMD information pertaining to the same.

Bidder further certifies that it shall provide immediate written notice to WMD if, at any time prior to a contract award, Bidder learns that any of its certifications set forth herein were erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, that the certifications herein are true and correct and that I am duly authorized to make these certifications on behalf of the Bidder listed herein.

BIDDER NAME:

Print Name of Bidder – Print full legal entity name of the firm submitting the Bid

By:

Signature of Bidder's authorized person

Print Name of person making certifications for Bidder

Title:

Title of person signing certificate

Place:

Print city and state where signed

Date:

Return this Bidder's Certification to Procurement Coordinator at: <u>contracts.office@mil.wa.gov</u>

## Attachment A3

## **Bidder's Profile**

Competitive Solicitation:	No. <u>RFP24-005</u>
Bidder:	Type/print full legal name of Bidder

BIDDER INFORMATION	
Legal name of Bidder:	
Address of Bidder:	Business Name
<i>Note</i> : This must match information from Bidder's Washington Business License.	Address City, State, Zip Code
Bidder's Washington State Department of Revenue Registration Number/Unified Business Identifier (UBI) Number:	
<i>Note</i> : A nine digit UBI number is assigned to each registered businesses in Washington.	
Taxpayer Identification No. (TIN):	
<i>Note</i> : Your TIN will be either a number issued by the IRS (e.g., Employer Identification Number, Federal Tax Identification Number) or a number issued by the Social Security Administration (i.e., your Social Security Number). If your TIN is a SSN, state that fact, but do NOT provide the SSN.	
Is your firm certified as a minority or woman owned business with the Washington State Office of Minority & Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE)?	Yes No

BIDDER INFORMATION			
Is your firm a self-certified Washington Small Business?	Yes 🗌 No 🗌		
<i>Note</i> : See <i>Attachment A2</i> – <i>Bidder's Certification</i> for criteria to qualify as a Washington Small Business	If yes, provide the location for Bidder's principal place of business:		
<ul> <li>Note: Regardless of size, a qualifying business must be owned and operated independently from all other businesses. In regard to size, the gross revenue thresholds, as reported on Bidder's tax returns, are as follows:</li> <li>Microbusiness: Annual gross revenue of less than one million dollars.</li> <li>Minibusiness: Annual gross revenue of more than one million dollars, but less than three million dollars.</li> <li>Small Business: Annual gross revenue of less than seven million dollars over each of the three prior consecutive years.</li> </ul>	If yes, what is your business size (based on annual gross revenue)? Microbusiness Minibusiness Small Business		
Is your firm certified as a Veteran-Owned Business with the Washington State Department of Veteran Affairs?	Yes 🗌 No 🗌		
Note: See Attachment A2 – Bidder's Certification for criteria to qualify as a Certified Veteran-Owned Business.	If yes, provide Bidder's WDVA certification no.		

CONTRACT MANAGEMENT POINTS OF CONTACT		
Authorized Representative	Contract Administrator	
Name:	Name:	
Email:	Email:	
Phone:	Phone:	

If applicable, identify any subcontractors who will perform services in fulfillment of contract requirements. State the nature of services to be performed and include a federal tax identification number (TIN) for each subcontractor. If TIN is a SSN, only provide the last four (4) digits. If a subcontractor is a certified minority or woman-owned business, small business or Veteran owned indicate that socio-economic status in the table below. Expand the table below as needed.

The bidder, by including subcontractor(s) as part of your signed proposal, agrees to assume responsibility for contract obligations and any liability for all actions of such subcontractors. The Washington Military Department reserves the right to approve or disapprove any subcontractor.

SUB CONTACTOR (IF NECESSARY)			
Legal Name and TIN#	Address	Phone and E-mail	Services/Role

## REFERENCES

Provide a minimum of three (3) commercial or government references for which bidder has delivered goods and/or services similar in scope as described in the Competitive Solicitation.

REFERENCE 1		
Company Name:		
Contact:		
Phone:		
Email:		
REFERENCE 2		
Company Name:		
Contact:		
Phone:		
Email:		
REFERENCE 3		
Company Name:		
Contact:		
Phone:		
Email:		

Return this Bidder's Profile to Procurement Coordinator at: contracts.office@mil.wa.gov

## **Proposed Contract**

## Washington State Military Department

#### CONTRACT FACE SHEET

1. Contractor Name and Address:		2. Total Contract Amount: Federal: State: Other:			3. Contract Number:	
4. Contractor's Contact Person, pho	ne number:	5. Contract St	art Date:		6. C	ontract End Date:
7. MD Program Manager/phone nun	nber:	8. Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) #		EI) #	9. UBI # (state revenue):	
10. Funding Authority:						
11. Funding Source Agreement #:	12. Program	Index # & OB	J/SUB-OJ	13. CFDA #	&	
				Title:		
14. Service Districts:		15. Service Are County(ies):		Certifi		ity-Owned, State
(BY LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT):						ied?: □ N/A NO S, OMWBE #
(BY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRI	CT).				, Olvivv	DC #
	<b>UT</b> ).		10 Contract			
17. Contract Classification: □ Purchased Services □ Public/Local Gov't			18. Contract Type (check all that apply):			
			□Contract □ Grant □ Agreement			
Collaborative Research  A/E  Other		Intergovernmen		overnmental (	RCW 39.34) □ Interagency	
19. Contractor Selection Process:			20. Contractor Type (check all that apply)			
□ "To all who apply & qualify" □ Competitive Bidding			Private Organization/Individual  For-Profit			
□ Sole Source □ A/E RCW □ N/A			Public Organization/Jurisdiction			
Emergency Contract Advertised?   YES X NO			UVENDOR USUBRECIPIENT OTHER			
21. BRIEF DESCRIPTION:						
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Department a	nd Contractor ack	nowledge and accep	t the terms of this	contract and att	achment	s hereto and have executed
this contract as of the date and year written below. This Contract Face Sheet, Special Terms and Conditions, General Terms and Conditions (Attachment						
A), Statement of Work (Attachment B), govern the rights and obligations of both parties to this contract.						
In the event of an inconsistency in this contract, unless otherwise provided herein, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence						
in the following order: (a) Applicable Federal and State Statutes and Regulations						
(b) Statement of Work						
(c) Special Terms and Conditions						
(d) General Terms and Conditions						
(e) Any other provisions of the contract incorporated by reference.						

This contract contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties. No other understandings, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this contract shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the parties hereto.

WHEREAS, the parties hereto have executed this contract on the day and year last specified below.					
FOR THE DEPARTMENT:		FOR THE CONTRACTOR:			
Signature	Date	Signature	Date		
Regan Anne Hesse					
Chief Financial Officer					
		for			
Washington Military Departme	ent				
APPROVED AS TO FORM:					
Dierk Meierbachtol (signature Assistant Attorney General	on file) 11/16/2021				

Form 10/27/00

#### SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### **ARTICLE I -- COMPENSATION SCHEDULE:**

This is a fixed price, reimbursement contract. Within the total Contract Amount, authorized travel, subcontracts, salaries and wages, benefits, printing, equipment, and other goods and services or other budget categories will be reimbursed on an actual cost basis unless otherwise provided in this contract. Any travel or subsistence reimbursement allowed under the contract shall be paid in accordance with rates set pursuant to RCW 43.03.050 and RCW 43.03.060 as now existing or hereafter amended and in agreement with federal rates. Receipts and/or backup documentation for any approved Budget line items, including travel related expenses, that are authorized under this contract must be maintained by the Contractor and be made available upon request of the Department.

Reimbursement under the contract will only be made consistent with the contract Budget and authorized changes to the Budget.

#### **ARTICLE II -- REPORTS:**

In addition to the reports as may be required elsewhere in this contract, the Contractor shall prepare and submit the following documents and reports to the Department's Key Personnel:

Financial	# of Copies	Submission Date
Submit signed, approved invoice vouchers (state form A-19)	1	Monthly
Final Invoice (shall not exceed overall contract amount)	1	Within 30 days of the satisfactory completion of work in accordance with all terms of this Contract.

#### ARTICLE III -- KEY PERSONNEL:

The individuals listed below shall be considered Key Personnel. The Key Personnel for each of the parties shall be the contact person for all communications and billings regarding the performance of this Contract.

Any substitution of Contractor's Key Personnel must be made by written notification to the Military Department.

CONTRACTOR:		MILITARY DEPARTMENT:		
Name		Name		
Title		Title		
E-Mail		E-Mail		
Phone		Phone		

#### **ARTICLE IV -- ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS:**

1. The Contractor shall comply with the State Office of Financial Management (OFM) Regulations-State Administrative and Accounting Manual (SAAM).

## ARTICLE V -- ADDITIONAL SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND MODIFICATION TO GENERAL CONDITIONS:

1. This contract is contingent upon the receipt of federal funds awarded for this purpose. The Contractor shall only use the funds to perform tasks as described in the Statement of Work (Attachment B) as approved by the Department.

#### Attachment A

#### GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. **DEFINITIONS**--As used throughout this contract, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:
  - a. **"Department"** shall mean the Washington Military Department, as a state agency, any division, section, office, unit or other entity of the Department, or any of the officers or other officials lawfully representing that Department.
  - b. **"The Adjutant General"** as it is used herein shall mean the Director of the Washington Military Department. The term **"Authorized Department Representative"** shall mean those persons who have written authorization to sign Department contracts and represent Department as signed and directed by The Adjutant General.
  - c. "**Contractor**" shall mean that firm, organization, group, individual, or other entity performing services under this contract, and shall include all employees of the Contractor. It shall include any subcontractor retained by the prime Contractor as permitted under the terms of this agreement.
  - d. "Subcontractor" shall mean one, not in the employment of the Contractor, who is performing all or part of those services under this contract through a separate contract with the Contractor. The terms "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractor(s) in any tier.
  - e. "WAC" is defined and used herein to mean the Washington Administrative Code.
  - f. "RCW" is defined and used herein to mean the Revised Code of Washington.
- 2. CONTRACTOR NOT EMPLOYEE OF AGENCY -- The Contractor, and/or employees or agents performing under this agreement are not employees or agents of the Department in any manner whatsoever. The Contractor will not be presented as nor claim to be an officer or employee of the Department or of the State of Washington by reason hereof, nor will the Contractor make any claim, demand, or application to or for any right, privilege or benefit applicable to an officer or employee of the Department or of the State of Washington, but not limited to, Workers' Compensation coverage, unemployment insurance benefits, social security benefits, retirement membership or credit, or privilege or benefit which would accrue to a civil service employee under Chapter 41.06 RCW; OFM Reg. 4.3.1.1.8.

It is understood that if the Contractor is another state department, state agency, state university, state college, state community college, state board, or state commission, that the officers and employees are employed by the State of Washington in their own right.

If the Contractor is an individual currently employed by a Washington State agency, the Department shall obtain proper approval from the employing agency or institution before entering into this contract. A statement of "no conflict of interest" shall be submitted to the Department.

3. **COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW** – The Contractor and all subcontractors shall comply with, and the Department is not responsible for determining compliance with, any and all applicable federal, state, tribal government, and local laws, regulations, and/or policies. This obligation includes, but is not limited to, Ethics in Public Service (RCW 42.52); Covenant Against Contingent Fees (48 C.F.R. Sec. 52.203-5); Public Records Act (RCW 42.56); and safety and health regulations.

In the event of the Contractor's or a subcontractor's noncompliance or refusal to comply with any law or policy, the Department may rescind, cancel, or terminate the contract in whole or in part. The Contractor is responsible for any and all costs or liability arising from the Contractor's failure to comply with applicable law.

- 4. **NONDISCRIMINATION** -- During the performance of this agreement, the Contractor shall comply with all federal and state nondiscrimination statutes and regulations. These requirements include, but are not limited to:
  - Nondiscrimination in Employment: The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, creed, marital status, age, Vietnam era or disabled veterans status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical handicap. This requirement does not apply, however, to a religious corporation, association, educational institution or society with respect to the employment of individuals of a particular religion to perform work connected with the carrying on by such corporation, association, educational institution.
  - b. The Contractor shall take action to ensure that employees are employed and treated during employment without discrimination because of their race, color, sex, sexual orientation religion, national origin, creed, marital status, age, Vietnam era or disabled veterans status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical handicap.

Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer, recruitment or recruitment selection for training, including apprenticeships and volunteers.

- 5. NONCOMPLIANCE WITH NONDISCRIMINATION LAWS -- In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance or refusal to comply with any nondiscrimination law, regulation, or policy, this contract may be rescinded, canceled or terminated in whole or in part, and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further contracts with the Department. The Contractor shall, however, be given a reasonable time in which to cure this noncompliance. Any dispute may be resolved in accordance with the "Disputes" procedure set forth herein.
- 6. MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES -- In accordance with the legislative findings and policies set forth in Chapter 39.19 RCW, the State of Washington encourages participation in all its contracts by MWBE firms certified by the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE). To the extent possible, the Contractor will solicit and encourage minority-owned and women-owned business enterprises who are certified by the OMWBE under the state of Washington certification program to apply and compete for work under this contract. Voluntary numerical MWBE participation goals have been established, and are indicated herein: Minority Business Enterprises: (MBE's): 10% and Woman's Business Enterprises (WBE's): 6%.
- 7. SUBCONTRACTING -- All subcontracts entered into pursuant to this contract shall incorporate this contract in full by reference. Neither the Contractor nor any Subcontractor shall enter into subcontracts for any of the work contemplated under this contract and after original contract award, without obtaining prior written approval of the Department. Contractor shall use a competitive process in award of any contracts with subcontractors that are entered into after original contract award. The Military Department may request a copy of any and/or all subcontracts that exist for work being completed under this contract. In no event shall the existence of the subcontract operate to release or reduce the liability of the Contractor to the Department for any breach in the performance of the Contractor's duties.

This clause does not include Contracts of employment between the Contractor and personnel assigned to work under this Contract.

8. **INDEMNIFICATION** -- To the fullest extent permitted by the law, the Contractor expressly agrees to and shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State and its agencies, officials, agents and employees from and against all claims, actions, costs, damages, or expenses of any nature arising out of or incident to the Contractor's or any subcontractor's performance or failure to perform the contract. The Contractor's obligation to indemnify, defend and hold harmless also includes any claim by the Contractor's agents, employees, representatives or any subcontractor or its employees. The Contractor's obligation to defend includes payment of any costs or attorneys' fees.

The Contractor's obligation shall not include such claims that may be caused by the sole negligence of the State and its agencies, officials, agents, and employees. If the claims or damages are caused by or result from the concurrent negligence of (a) the State, its agents or employees and (b) the Contractor, its subcontractors, agents, or employees, this indemnity provision shall be valid and enforceable only to the extent of the negligence of the Contractor or its subcontractors, agents, or employees.

The Contractor expressly agrees to waive its immunity under Title 51 RCW (Industrial Insurance) to the extent required to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and its agencies, officials, agents or employees.

9. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES -- The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agency maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

The Department shall have the right, in the event of breach of this clause by the Contractor, to annul this contract without liability, in its discretion, to deduct from the contract price or consideration or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

- 10. **NONASSIGNABILITY** -- Neither this contract, nor any claim arising under this contract, nor the work to be provided under this contract, and any claim arising thereunder, shall be assigned or delegated by either party in whole or in part, without the express prior written consent of the other party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 11. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) OF 1990, PUBLIC LAW 101-336, 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, 28 CFR Part 35. The Contractor must comply with the ADA, which provides comprehensive civil rights protection to individuals with disabilities in the areas of employment, public accommodations, state and local government services, and telecommunication.

## 12. RECORDS, MONITORING AND AUDIT ACCESS

- a. The Contractor shall perform under the terms of the contract, and the Department has responsibility for reasonable and necessary monitoring of the Contractor's performance. The Department shall conduct contract monitoring activities on a regular basis. Monitoring means any planned, ongoing, or periodic activity that measures and ensures contractor compliance with the terms, conditions, and requirements of a contract. Monitoring involves prudent collection of information about Contractor operations and is not limited to site visits or the completion of formal reviews. Monitoring may include periodic contractor reporting to the Department, Department review of audit reports, invoice reviews, onsite reviews and observations, and surveys. Adequate documentation is essential for effective contract monitoring and will include copies of letters, meeting notes, and records of phone conversations as evidence that conscientious monitoring has occurred during the period of the contract.
- b. The Contractor shall maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence and accounting procedures and practices that sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of any nature expended in the performance of this contract. These records shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, review, or audit by personnel duly authorized by the Department, the Office of the State Auditor, and federal officials so authorized by law, rule, regulation, or contract. The Contractor will retain all books, records, documents, and other materials relevant to this contract for six (6) years from the date contract final payment is made hereunder, and make them available for inspection by persons authorized under this provision.
- c. The Department or the State Auditor or any of their representatives and federal officials so authorized by law, rule, regulation, or contract shall have full access to and the right to examine during normal business hours and as often as the Department or the State Auditor may deem necessary, all of the Contractor's records with respect to all matters covered in this contract. Such representatives shall be permitted to audit, examine, and make excerpts or transcripts from such records and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, and records of matters covered by this contract. Such rights last for six (6) years from the date final payment is made hereunder.
- d. The Contractor shall cooperate with and freely participate in any other monitoring or evaluation activities conducted by the Department that are pertinent to the intent of this contract.

#### 13. ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS

- a. The parties acknowledge that the Department is subject to the Public Records Act, Chapter 42.56 RCW, and that records prepared, owned, used or retained by the Department relating to the conduct of government or the performance of any governmental or proprietary function are available for public inspection or copying, except as exempt under RCW 42.56 or other statute which exempts or prohibits disclosure of specific information or records.
- b. The Contractor shall provide access to data generated under this contract to the Department and the State Auditor at no additional cost. This includes access to all information that supports the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Contractor's reports, including computer models and methodology for those models.
- c. Access to Data. The contractor shall provide access to all data generated under the contract to the Department, the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee, and the Office of the State Auditor at no additional cost. For the purposes of this requirement, "data" includes all information that supports the findings, conclusions and recommendations of the contractor's reports, including computer models and methodology for those models.
- 14. **DISCLOSURE** -- The use or disclosure by any party of any information concerning the Department for any purpose not directly connected with the administration of the Department's or the Contractor's responsibilities with respect to

services provided under this contract is prohibited except by prior written consent of the Department or as required to comply with the Public Records Act or court order.

Contractor acknowledges that the Department is subject to Chapter 42.56 RCW, the Public Records Act, and that this Contract shall be a public record as defined in RCW 42.56.0.10. Any specific information that is claimed by the Contractor to be confidential or proprietary must be clearly identified as such by the Contractor. To the extent consistent with Chapter 42.56 RCW, the Department shall maintain the confidentiality of all such information marked confidential or proprietary. If a request is made to view the Contractor's information, the Department will notify the Contractor of the request and the date that such records will be released to the requester unless Contractor obtains a court order enjoining that disclosure. If the Contractor fails to obtain the court order enjoining disclosure, the Department will release the requested information on the date specified.

15. **RIGHTS IN DATA** – The parties hereto agree that all works originating from this contract shall be "works for hire" as defined by the U.S. Copyright Act of 1976 and shall be owned by the Department and/or the State of Washington. Unless otherwise provided, this contractual term applies to all works including, but not limited to, reports, graphic design and logos, documents, files, pamphlets, advertisements, publications, books, magazines, surveys, studies, computer programs, films, tapes, and or/sound reproductions prepared by an employee within the scope of the employment, and also to all works specially ordered or commissioned for use as a contribution to a collective work, as part of a motion picture or other audiovisual work, as a translation, as a supplementary work, as a compilation, as an instructional text, as a test, as answer material for a test, or as an atlas.

Ownership includes the right to copyright, patent, register, and the ability to transfer these rights. Work delivered under the contract, but which does not originate therefrom, shall be transferred to the Department with a nonexclusive, royalty-free, irrevocable license to publish, translate, reproduce, deliver, perform, dispose of, and to authorize others to do so; provided, that such license shall be limited to the extent which the Contractor has a right to grant such a license. The Contractor shall exert all reasonable effort to advice the Department, at the time of delivery of works furnished under this contract, of all known or potential invasions of privacy contained therein and of any portion of such document which was not produced in the performance of this contract. The Department shall receive prompt written notice of each notice or claim, or copyright infringement received by the Contractor with respect to any works created under this contract.

The contractor shall not affix any restrictive markings upon any works, and if such markings are affixed, the Department shall have the right at any time to modify, remove, obliterate, or ignore such markings.

- 16. **PUBLICITY** -- The Contractor agrees to submit to the Department all advertising and publicity matters relating to this contract wherein the Department's name is mentioned or language used from which the connection of the Department's name may, in the Department's judgment, be inferred or implied. The Contractor agrees not to publish or use such advertising and publicity matters without the prior written consent of the Department.
- 17. PRIVACY -- Personal information collected, used or acquired in connection with this contract shall be used solely for the purposes of this contract. Contractor and its subcontractors agree not to release, divulge, publish, transfer, sell or otherwise make known to unauthorized persons personal information without the express written consent of the Department or as provided by law. Contractor agrees to implement physical, electronic and managerial safeguards to prevent unauthorized access to personal information.

The Department reserves the right to monitor, audit, or investigate the use of personal information collected, used or acquired by the Contractor through this contract. The monitoring, auditing or investigating may include but is not limited to "salting" by the Department. Contractor shall certify return or destruction of all personal information upon expiration of this contract. Salting is the act of placing a record containing unique but false information in a database that can be used later to identify inappropriate disclosure of data contained in the database.

Any breach of this provision may result in termination of the contract and the demand for return of all personal information. The Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Department for any damages related to the Contractor's unauthorized use of personal information.

For purposes of this provision, personal information includes, but is not limited to, information identifiable to an individual that relates to a natural person's health, finances, education, business, use or receipt of governmental services,

or other activities, names, addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, driver license numbers, financial profiles, credit card numbers, financial identifiers and other identifying numbers.

#### 18. TREATMENT OF ASSETS

- a. Title to all property furnished by the Department shall remain with the Department. Title to all property purchased by the Contractor, for the cost of which the Contractor is entitled to be reimbursed as a direct item of cost under this contract, shall pass to and vest in the Department upon delivery of such property by the vendor. Title to other property, the cost of which is reimbursable to the Contractor under the contract, shall pass to and vest in the Department upon delivery in the performance of this contract, or (ii) commencement of use of such property in the performance of this contract, or (iii) reimbursement of the cost thereof by the Department in whole or in part, whichever first occurs.
- b. Any property of the Department furnished to the Contractor shall, unless otherwise provided herein, or approved by the Department, be used only for the performance of this contract.
- c. The Contractor shall be responsible for any loss or damage to property of the Department that results from the negligence of the Contractor or which results from the failure on the part of the Contractor to maintain and administer that property in accordance with sound management practices.
- d. Upon the happening of loss or destruction of, or damage to, any Department property, the Contractor shall notify the Department thereof and shall take all reasonable steps to protect that property from further damage.
- e. The Contractor shall surrender to the Department all property of the Department prior to settlement upon completion, termination, or cancellation of this agreement.
- f. All reference to the Contractor under this clause shall include any of the Contractor's employees or agents or subcontractors.
- 19. **SITE SECURITY** While on Department premises, Contractor, its agents, employees, or subcontractors shall conform in all respects with physical, fire or other security regulations.
- 20. **ATTORNEY'S FEES** In the event of litigation or other action brought to enforce contract terms or alternate dispute resolution process, each party agrees to bear its own attorney's fees and costs.
- 21. **TAXES** All payments accrued on account of payroll taxes, unemployment contributions, any other taxes, insurance or other expenses for the Contractor or its staff shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.
- 22. **TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE REIMBURSEMENT** -- Unless the contract specifically provides for different rates, any travel or subsistence reimbursement expressly authorized under the contract shall be paid in accordance with rates set pursuant to RCW 43.03.050 and RCW 43.03.060 and the State Administrative and Accounting Manual (SAAM) Chapter 10.90 Travel Rates, <a href="http://www.ofm.wa.gov/policy/10.90.htm">http://www.ofm.wa.gov/policy/10.90.htm</a> as now existing or amended. Receipts and documentation for travel or subsistence expenses that are authorized under this contract must be maintained by the Contractor and be made available to the Department upon request.
- 23. LICENSING AND ACCREDITATION STANDARDS -- Unless exempt from registration by law, the Contractor shall complete registration with the Department of Revenue, and be responsible for payment of all taxes due on payments made under this Contract. WAC 458-20-101.

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal licensing and accrediting requirements/standards, necessary in the performance of this contract. (See RCW 19.02 for state licensing requirements/definitions.) The Contractor shall provide to the Department all identification codes/numbers that apply to the business as required in the state and federal revenue laws and regulations.

Identifications such as the State Department of Revenue number, federal employee identification number, state certification number of a minority/women-owned business enterprise, and any other applicable registration identification that may exist should be provided. The Contractor shall be responsible for payment of all related licensing, accreditation and other related fees and charges.

24. **CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION OR INELIGIBILITY** -- If federal funds are the basis for this contract, the Contractor certifies that the Contractor is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in this contract by any federal department or agency.

If requested by Washington Military Department, the Contractor shall complete and sign a Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion form. Any such form completed by the Contractor for this Contract shall be incorporated into this Contract by reference.

Further, the Contractor agrees not to enter into any arrangements or contracts related to this contract with any party that is debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in this contract by any federal department or agency.

In addition, the state debarment laws shall apply: RCW 39.19.090; RCW 39.12.065 (3).

- 25. **ADVANCE PAYMENTS PROHIBITED** The Department shall make no payments in advance or in anticipation of services or supplies to be provided under this contract. Contractor shall not invoice the Department in advance of delivery of such goods or services. RCW 43.88.160; Washington State Constitution, Article VIII, § 5
- 26. LOSS OR REDUCTION OF FUNDING -- In the event funding from state, federal, or other sources is withdrawn, reduced, or limited in any way after the effective date of this contract and prior to normal completion, the Department may immediately terminate the contract in its sole discretion under the "Termination for Convenience" clause, without the ten (10) day notice requirement. Alternatively, the parties may renegotiate the terms of this contract under the "CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS" provision to comply with new funding limitations and conditions, although the Department has no obligation to do so.
- 27. **WAIVER OF DEFAULT** -- Waiver of any default shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent default. Waiver of breach of any provision of the contract shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of the contract unless stated to be such in writing, signed by the Director and attached to the original contract.
- 28. **CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS** This contract contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties. No other understandings, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this agreement shall be deemed to exist or bind the parties hereto unless made in writing and signed by the parties. The Department and the Contractor may, from time to time, request changes to the contract. Any such changes that are *mutually agreed upon* by the parties to this contract shall be incorporated herein by written amendment to this contract. It is mutually agreed and understood that no alteration or variation of the terms of this contract shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties hereto, and that any other understanding or agreements, oral or otherwise, are not incorporated herein and shall not be binding unless made in writing and signed by the parties hereto.
- 29. LIMITATION OF AUTHORITY -- "Authorized Signature" Only the assigned Authorized Signature for the Department or the assigned delegate by writing (delegation to be made prior to action) shall have the express, implied, or apparent authority to alter, amend, modify, or waive any clause or condition of this contract. Furthermore, any alteration, amendment, modification, or waiver of any clause or condition of this contract is not effective or binding unless made in writing and signed by the authorized person.
- 30. DISPUTES -- Except as otherwise provided in this contract, when a bona fide dispute arises between the parties and it cannot be resolved through discussion and negotiation, either party may request a dispute resolution board to resolve the dispute. A request for a dispute resolution board shall be in writing, state the disputed issues, state the relative positions of the parties, and be sent to all parties. The board shall consist of a representative appointed by the Department, a representative appointed by the Contractor and a third party mutually agreed upon by both parties. The determination of the dispute resolution board shall be final and binding on the parties hereto. Each party shall bear the cost for its member of the dispute resolution board and its attorney fees and costs, and share equally the cost of the third board member.
- 31. **RECAPTURE OF FUNDS** -- In the event that the Contractor fails to expend funds under this Contract in accordance with state laws and/or the provisions of this Contract, the Agency reserves the right to recapture state funds in an amount equivalent to the extent of the noncompliance in addition to any other remedies available at law or in equity.

Such right of recapture shall exist for a period not to exceed six (6) years following Contract termination. Repayment by the Contractor of funds under this recapture provision shall occur within 30 days of demand. In the event that the Agency is required to institute legal proceedings to enforce the recapture provision, the Agency shall be entitled to its costs thereof, including reasonable attorneys' fees.

- 32. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST** -- The Department may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate this contract if it is found after due notice and examination by The Adjutant General or the Authorized Department Representative that there is a violation of Chapter 42.52 RCW, Ethics in Public Service, or any similar statute involving the Contractor in the procurement of, or performance under, this contract.
- 33. **TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE** -- Notwithstanding any provisions of this contract, the Contractor may terminate this contract by providing written notice of such termination, specifying the effective date thereof, at least thirty (30) days prior to such date.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this contract, the Department may, by ten (10) days written notice, beginning on the <u>second day</u> after the mailing of the written notice, terminate this contract, in whole or in part. If this contract is so terminated, the Department shall be liable only for payment required under the terms of this contract for services rendered or goods delivered prior to the effective date of termination. Upon notice of termination for convenience, the Department reserves the right to suspend all or part of the contract, withhold further payments, and prohibit the Contractor from incurring additional obligations of funds.

34. **TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION FOR CAUSE** -- In the event the Department determines the Contractor has failed to comply with the conditions of this contract in an acceptable and timely manner, the Department has the right to suspend or terminate this contract. The Department shall notify the Contractor in writing of the need to take corrective action.

If the default or violation is not corrected after ten (10) days or within a reasonable timeframe as determined by the Department, the contract shall be deemed terminated. The Department reserves the right to suspend all or part of the contract, withhold further payments, or prohibit the Contractor from incurring additional obligations of funds during investigation of the alleged compliance breach and pending corrective action by the Contractor or a decision by the Department to terminate the contract.

In the event this contract is terminated as provided above, the Department shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of a breach of the contract by the Contractor. The rights and remedies of the Department provided for in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law. The existence of facts upon which The Adjutant General or the Authorized Department Representative makes any determination under this clause shall be an issue and may be reviewed as provided in the "Disputes" clause of this contract.

The termination shall be deemed to be a "Termination for Convenience" if it is determined that the Contractor: (1) was not in default, or (2) failure to perform was outside of the Contractor's control, fault or negligence. The rights and remedies of the Department provided in this contract are not exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

35. **TERMINATION PROCEDURE** -- Upon termination of this contract, the Department, in addition to any other rights provided in this contract, may require the Contractor to deliver to the Department any property specifically produced or acquired for the performance of such part of this contract as has been terminated.

The Department shall pay to the Contractor the agreed upon price, if separately stated, for completed work and services accepted by the Department, and the amount agreed upon by the Contractor and the Department for (i) completed work and services for which no separate price is stated, (ii) partially completed work and services, (iii) other property or services which are accepted by the Department, and (iv) the protection and preservation of property; provided, that if the termination is due to default, The Adjutant General or the Authorized Department Representative shall determine the extent of the liability of the Department. Failure to agree with such determination shall be a dispute within the meaning of the "Disputes" clause of this contract. The Department may withhold from any amounts due the Contractor such sum as The Adjutant General or the Authorized Department Representative determines to be necessary to protect the Department against potential loss or liability.

The rights and remedies of the Department provided in this section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

After receipt of a notice of termination, and except as otherwise directed by the Department, the Contractor shall:

- a. Stop work under the contract on the date, and to the extent specified, in the notice;
- b. Place no further orders or subcontracts for materials, services, or facilities except as may be necessary for completion of such portion of the work under the contract as is not terminated;
- c. Assign to the Department, in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by The Adjutant General or the Authorized Department Representative, all of the rights, title, and interest of the Contractor under the orders and subcontracts so terminated, in which case the Department has the right, at its discretion, to settle or pay any or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and subcontracts.
- d. Settle all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such termination of orders and subcontracts, with the approval or ratification of the Department to the extent The Adjutant General or the Authorized Department Representative may require, which approval or ratification shall be final for all the purposes of this clause;
- e. Transfer title to the Department and deliver in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Department any property which, if the contract had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to the Department;
- f. Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by the Department; and
- g. Take such action as may be necessary, or as the Department may require, for the protection and preservation of the property related to this contract which is in the possession of the Contractor and in which the Department has or may acquire an interest.
- 36. **GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE** -- This contract shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and the validity and performance hereof shall be governed by, the laws of the state of Washington. In the event of a lawsuit involving this contract, venue shall be proper only in Thurston County. The Contractor, by execution of this contract, acknowledges the jurisdiction of the courts of the state of Washington in this matter.
- 37. **SEVERABILITY** -- If any provision of this contract or any provision of any document incorporated by reference shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this contract which can be given effect without the invalid provision, and to this end the provisions of this contract are declared to be severable.
- 38. **DATE COMPLIANCE** If applicable to this contract, the Contractor is responsible for ensuring that all materials and equipment installed as part of this contract shall accurately process date/time data between year calculations, to the extent that other information technology, used in combination with the information technology being acquired, properly exchanges date/time data with it.
- 39. **HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL ARTIFACTS** The Contractor agrees that if historical, archaeological data, or cultural artifacts, relics or specimens are discovered during and as the result of contract activities such as construction, the Contractor shall immediately stop those specific activities and notify the local historical preservation officer, the state's historical preservation officer at the Washington State Department of Archeology and Historic Preservation, and the Department's contact person for this contract.

#### 40. **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES** --

Each party to this contract hereby assumes responsibility for claims and/or damages to persons and/or property resulting from any negligent act or omissions on the part of itself, its employees, its officers, and its agents. Neither party assumes any responsibility to the other party for the consequences of any negligent claim, act, or omission of any person, agency, firm, or corporation not a part to this contract.

#### 41. EXECUTIVE ORDER 18-03 -WORKERS' RIGHTS

The Contractor represents and warrants that the Contractor does not require its employees, as a condition of employment, to sign or agree to mandatory individual arbitration clauses or class or collective action waivers. The Contractor further represents and warrants that, during the term of this contract, the Contractor shall not, as a condition of employment, require its employees to sign or agree to mandatory individual arbitration clauses or class or collective action waivers.

#### 42. ACCESS TO CAMP MURRAY

Contractor and all associated sub-contractor's employees shall provide all information required for background checks to meet installation access requirements to be accomplished by installation Provost Marshal Office. Contractor workforce must comply with all personal identity verification requirements as directed by the Department of Defense (DOD), Department of the Army (DA), National Guard Bureau (NGB) and/or local policy.

In addition to the changes otherwise authorized by the changes clause of this contract, should the Force Protection Condition (FPCON) at any individual facility or installation change, the WMD may require changes in contractor security matters or processes.

#### 43. CONTRACTOR TO PAY PREVAILING WAGES OR APPLICABLE FEDERAL WAGES

Contractor shall pay the prevailing rate of wages to all workers, laborers, or mechanics employed in the performance of any part of the Work in accordance with RCW 39.12 and the rules and regulations of the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I). The schedule of prevailing wage rates for the locality or localities of the Work, is determined by the Industrial Statistician of the Department of Labor and Industries. It is the Contractor's responsibility to verify the applicable prevailing wage rate. If applicable, the Contractor shall comply with all Federal Funding requirements of the Davis Bacon Act.

#### 44. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

**INSURANCE OBLIGATION.** During the Term of this Contract, Contractor shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect, at Contractor's sole expense, the following insurance coverages:

- a. COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE. Commercial General Liability Insurance (and, if necessary, commercial umbrella liability insurance) covering Bodily Injury and Property Damage on an 'occurrence form' in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 general aggregate. This coverage shall include Contractual Liability insurance for the indemnity provided under this Contract.
- b. WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE. Contractor shall comply with applicable Workers' Compensation or Industrial Accident insurance providing benefits as required by law.
- c. EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY (STOP GAP) INSURANCE. Employer's liability insurance (and, if necessary, commercial umbrella liability insurance) with limits not less than \$1,000,000 each accident for bodily injury by accident, \$1,000,000 each employee for bodily injury by disease, and \$1,000,000 bodily injury by disease policy limit.
- d. COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE. Commercial automobile liability insurance covering the ownership, maintenance, and/or use of all owned/leased, non-owned, and hired vehicles used in the performance of the Contract, with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per accident, combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage liability. Coverage shall be provided on Insurance Services Office (ISO) form number CA 0001 or an equivalent. The required limits can be satisfied by any combination of primary, umbrella, or excess policy.

The insurance coverage limits set forth herein are the minimum. Contractor's insurance coverage shall be no less than the minimum amounts specified. Coverage in the amounts of these minimum limits, however, shall not be construed to relieve Contractor from liability in excess of such limits. Contractor waives all rights against the State of Washington for the recovery of damages to the extent such damages are covered by any insurance required herein.

**INSURANCE CARRIER RATING.** Coverages provided by the Contractor must be underwritten by an insurance company deemed acceptable to the State of Washington's Office of Risk Management. Insurance coverage shall be provided by companies authorized to do business within the State of Washington and rated A- Class VII or better in the most

recently published edition of Best's Insurance Rating. WMD reserves the right to reject all or any insurance carrier(s) with an unacceptable financial rating.

**ADDITIONAL INSURED.** Commercial General Liability, Commercial Automobile Liability, and Pollution Liability Insurance shall include the State of Washington and all authorized Purchasers (and their agents, officers, and employees) as Additional Insureds evidenced by copy of the Additional Insured Endorsement attached to the Certificate of Insurance on such insurance policies.

**CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE.** Prior to execution of the Contract, Contractor shall furnish to WMD as evidence of the insurance coverage required by this Contract, a certificate of insurance satisfactory to WMD that insurance, in the above-stated kinds and minimum amounts, has been secured. In addition, no less than ten (10) days prior to coverage expiration, Contractor shall furnish to WMD an updated or renewed certificate of insurance, satisfactory to WMD, that insurance, in the above-stated kinds and minimum amounts, has been secured. Failure to maintain or provide proof of insurance, as required, will result in contract cancellation. All policies and certificates of insurance shall include the Contract number stated on the cover of this Contract. All certificates of Insurance and any related insurance documents shall be delivered to WMD by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, or sent via email, and shall be sent to the address or email address set forth below or to such other address or email address as WMD may specify in writing:

US Mail: Contracts Office Attn: Alyssa Pearson Washington Military Department 1 Militia Drive / MS: TA-20 Camp Murray, WA 98430-5092

Email: Contracts.Office@mil.wa.gov *Note*: For Email notice, the Email Subject line must state: Contract Insurance Certificate – Contract No. \_\_-\_\_\_

**PRIMARY COVERAGE.** Contractor's insurance shall apply as primary and shall not seek contribution from any insurance or self-insurance maintained by, or provided to, the additional insureds listed above including, at a minimum, the State of Washington and/or any Purchaser. All insurance or self-insurance of the State of Washington and/or Purchasers shall be excess of any insurance provided by Contractor or subcontractors.

**SUBCONTRACTORS.** Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insureds under all required insurance policies. Alternatively, prior to utilizing any subcontractor, Contractor shall cause any such subcontractor to provide insurance that complies with all applicable requirements of the insurance set forth herein and shall furnish separate Certificates of Insurance and endorsements for each subcontractor. Each subcontractor must comply fully with all insurance requirements stated herein. Failure of any subcontractor to comply with insurance requirements does not limit Contractor's liability or responsibility.

**WAIVER OF SUBROGATION.** Contractor waives all rights of subrogation against the State of Washington and any Purchaser for the recovery of damages to the extent such damages are or would be covered by the insurance specified herein.

**NOTICE OF CHANGE OR CANCELLATION.** There shall be no cancellation, material change, exhaustion of aggregate limits, or intent not to renew insurance coverage, either in whole or in part, without at least sixty (60) days prior written Legal Notice by Contractor to WMD. Failure to provide such notice, as required, shall constitute default by Contractor. Any such written notice shall include the Contract number stated on the cover of this Contract.

**EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD.** If any required insurance coverage is on a claims-made basis (rather than occurrence), Contractor shall maintain such coverage for a period of no less than three (3) years following expiration or termination of the Contract.

45. **COMPLIANCE WITH WASHINGTON'S STATEWIDE IT POLICIES:** Contractor shall comply with Washington's information technology policies, as applicable, for Purchasing Entities – promulgated by Washington's Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO). Such policies are located on the OCIO website at: <a href="https://ocio.wa.gov//policies">https://ocio.wa.gov//policies</a>. These policies include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Security Policy 141
- b. Accessibility Policy 188

Prior to final execution of a Purchasing Entities' contract with a Contractor, the Contractor's application(s) will be subject to a Security Design Review performed by Washington Consolidated Technology Services to ensure compliance with Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) Security Policies.

#### 46. SUBCONTRACTOR PAYMENTS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

This contract is subject to compliance tracking using the State's business diversity management system, Access Equity (B2Gnow). This Contract is subject to compliance tracking using the State's business diversity management system, Access Equity (B2Gnow). Access Equity is web-based and can be accessed at the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises at <a href="https://omwbe.diversitycompliance.com/">https://omwbe.diversitycompliance.com/</a>. The Contractor and all Subcontractors shall report and confirm receipt of payments made to the Contractor and each Subcontractor through Access Equity. The Contractor may contact CONTRACTS.OFFICE@MIL.WA.GOV for technical assistance in using the Access Equity system. Information related to Contractor and Subcontractor access to and use of Access Equity will be provided to Contractor and each identified Subcontractor upon execution of this Contract. The Public Owner reserves the right to withhold payments from the Contractor for non-compliance with this section. For purposes of this section, Subcontractor means any subcontractor working on the Contract, at any tier and regardless of status as certified WMBE or Non-WMBE.

The Contractor shall:

a. Register and enter all required Subcontractor information into Access Equity no later than 15 days after the WMD creates the Contract Record.

b. Complete the required user training (two (2) one-hour online sessions) no later than 20 days after the WMD creates the Contract Record.

c. Report the amount and date of all payments (i) received from the WMD, and (ii) paid to Subcontractors, no later than 30 days after issuance of each payment made by WMD to the Contractor, unless otherwise specified in writing by WMD, except that the Contractor shall mark as "Final" and report the final Subcontractor payment9s) into Access Equity no later than thirty (30) days after the final payment is due the Subcontractor(s) under the Contract, with all payment information entered no later than sixty (60) days after end of fiscal year.

d. Monitor contract payments and respond promptly to any requests or instructions from WMD or system-generated messages to check or provide information in Access Equity.

e. Coordinate with Subcontractors, or WMD when necessary, to resolve promptly any discrepancies between reported and received payments.

f. Respond to reasonable requests from WMD for additional information to be provided electronically through Access Equity.

g. Require each Subcontractor to: (i) register in Access Equity and complete the required user training; (ii) verify the amount and date of receipt of each payment from the Contractor or a higher tier Subcontractor, if applicable, through Access Equity; (iii) report payments made to any lower tier Subcontractors, if any, in the same manner as specified herein; (iv) respond promptly to any requests or instructions from the Contractor or system-generated messages to check or provide information in Access Equity; and (v) coordinate with Contractor, or WMD when necessary, to resolve promptly any discrepancies between reported and received payments.

Attachment B

### CONTRACT STATEMENT OF WORK

To be completed before contract execution

#### Attachment B2

#### **Contract Issues List**

**INSTRUCTIONS.** Issues, concerns, exceptions or objections to any of the terms or conditions contained in **Attachment B1** – Proposed Contract, must be documented by bidders in the Contract Issues List provided below. Contract Issues List frames discussions between the Washington Military Department and bidders regarding the terms and conditions contained in the contract. In completing the Contract Issues List, bidders must describe, in business terms, a concern, exception or objection and then propose a compromise that is reasonable in light of the commitment being sought by the Washington Military Department. The Contract Issues List must provide the reason or rationale supporting the issue.

- REDLINED DOCUMENTS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED. Do not provide a redlined contract, paragraph or clauses.
   Redlined text may result in the Washington Military Department making potentially inaccurate assumptions about what bidders' specific issues or concerns might be.
- STANDARD BIDDER CONTRACT WILL NOT BE REVIEWED. Do not provide a copy of a bidder's or a third party's standard contract or proposed language in the proposal.
- NO SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES. Bidders are reminded that this is a competitive solicitation for a public contract and that the Washington Military Department cannot accept a proposal or enter into a contract that substantially changes the material terms and specifications published in this RFP. Proposals that are contingent upon WMD making substantial changes to material terms and specifications published in the RFP may be determined to be non-responsible. WMD will consider the number and nature of the items on the bidders' Contract Issues List in determining the likelihood of completing a contract with a bidder.

Ітем	REFERENCE CONTRACT SECTION #	ISSUE	BIDDER PROPOSED SOLUTION/RATIONALE
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

# **CONTRACT ISSUES LIST**

#### **Performance Requirements**

Competitive Solicitation:	No. RFP24-005
Bidder:	Type/print full legal name of bidder company

#### Instructions:

Bidders submitting a proposal must <u>complete and submit an Attachment C</u> for evaluation purposes.

**Performance Requirements**: Bidder must respond to each requirement as noted in the instructions below.

- 1. Review all requirements, priorities and provided definitions:
  - *Mandatory Pass/Fail (M):* Minimum requirement; Bidder that does not meet this requirement will not be considered any further.
  - *Mandatory Scored (MS):* Critical requirement; evaluators will score based on the degree to which Bidder's response meets the requirement.
  - *Desirable Scored (DS):* Desirable requirement; evaluators will score based on the degree to which Bidder's response meets the requirement.
- 2. Using the *Bidder Meets Requirement* column, Bidder must select either a "Yes" or "No" to indicate the Bidder's ability to meet the requirement. <u>Any</u> entry that is not either a "Yes" or "No", may be deemed non-responsive and will not be considered any further.
- 3. Bidder must respond in the *Written Response* column for every requirement that indicates a "Written Response Required". <u>Written responses must not</u> reference any material present elsewhere. <u>The written response shall be considered complete and stand on its own merits or may be deemed non-responsive</u>.

	PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS AND FACTORS				
REQ ID	Performance Requirement and Stated Business Need	Points Available	Priority	Bidder's Compliance	Written Response
1.	Install/Provide Internet connection to 28 sites statewide via carrier fiber. ISP connection must be a dedicated, non-shared bandwidth. One site (Thurston County) will need OSP fiber	Pass/Fail	М	□ Yes □ No	Written Response Required.

	Performance Requirements and Factors				
REQ ID	Performance Requirement and Stated Business Need	Points Available	Priority	Bidder's Compliance	Written Response
	installed at last mile. All other sites have last mile carrier fiber installed.				
2.	Contractor technicians must be able to access Military installations. Required; Current Federally recognized ID (passport, Real ID, Military CAC), current vehicle registration, proof of insurance.	Pass/Fail	М	□ Yes □ No	
3.	Vendor will provide one managed Cisco gateway router per site.	Pass/Fail	М	□ Yes □ No	
4.	Vendor must be able to respond to outages in 24 hours of being notified. 99.9% up time or better.	15	DS	□ Yes □ No	Written Response Required
5.	Vendor can provide a dedicated account team for the duration of the contract.	10	DS	□ Yes □ No	Written Response Required

Return this attachment to Procurement Coordinator at: contracts.office@mil.wa.gov

Attachment D

#### BID SHEET FOR RFP24-005



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#### COMPLAINT, DEBRIEF, & PROTEST REQUIREMENTS

This attachment details the applicable requirements for complaints, debriefs, and protests.

#### Complaints

This RFP offers a complaint period for bidders wishing to voice objections to this solicitation. The complaint period ends five (5) business days before the proposal due date. The complaint period is an opportunity to voice objections, raise concerns, or suggest changes that were not addressed during the Question & Answer Period or at the Pre-Bid Conference. Failure by the bidder to raise a complaint at this stage may waive its right for later consideration. The Washington Military Department will consider all complaints but is not required to adopt a complaint, in part or full. If bidder complaints result in changes to the RFP, written amendments will be issued and posted on WEBS.

- Criteria for Complaint: A formal complaint may be based only on one or more of the following grounds: (a) The solicitation unnecessarily restricts competition; (b) The solicitation evaluation or scoring process is unfair or flawed; or (c) The solicitation requirements are inadequate or insufficient to prepare a response.
- Initiating A Complaint: A complaint must: (a) Be submitted to and received by the Procurement Coordinator no less than five (5) business days prior to the deadline for proposal submittal; and (b) Be in writing (see Form and Substance, and Other below). A complaint clearly should articulate the basis of the complaint and include a proposed remedy.
- Response: When a complaint is received, the Procurement Coordinator (or designee) will consider all the facts available and respond in writing prior to the deadline for proposal submittals, unless more time is needed. The Washington Military Department is required to promptly post the response to a complaint on WEBS.
- Response is Final: The Procurement Coordinator 's response to the complaint is final and not subject to administrative appeal. Issues raised in a complaint may not be raised again during the protest period. Furthermore, any issue, exception, addition, or omission not brought to the attention of the Procurement Coordinator prior to proposal submittal may be deemed waived for protest purposes.

#### **Debrief Conferences**

A Debrief Conference is an opportunity for a bidder and the Procurement Coordinator to meet and discuss the bidder's bid. A debrief is a required prerequisite for a bidder wishing to file a protest. Following the evaluation of the bids, the Washington Military Department will issue an announcement of the Apparent Successful Bidder (ASB). That announcement may be made by any means, but the WMD likely will use email to the Bidder's email address provided in the Bidder's Profile and all other bidders will be notified via WEBS. Bidders will have three (3) business days to request a Debrief Conference. Once a Debrief Conference is requested, WMD will offer the requesting bidder one (1) meeting opportunity and notify the Bidder of the Debrief Conference place, date, and time. The WMD will not allow the debrief process to delay the award. Therefore, bidders should plan for contingencies and alternate representatives; bidders who are unwilling or unable to attend the Debrief Conference will lose the opportunity to protest.

 Timing: A Debrief Conference may be requested by a bidder following announcement of the Apparent Successful Bidder.

- Purpose of Debrief Conference: Any bidder who has submitted a timely proposal response may request a Debrief Conference (see Form and Substance, and Other below). A Debrief Conference provides an opportunity for the Bidder to meet with WMD to discuss its proposal and evaluation.
- Requesting a Debrief Conference: The request for a Debrief Conference must be made in writing via email to the Procurement Coordinator and received within three (3) business days after the announcement of the Apparent Successful Bidder. Debrief conferences shall be conducted by telephone and may be limited by the WMD to a specified period of time. The failure of a bidder to request a debrief within the specified time and attend a debrief conference constitutes a waiver of the right to submit a protest. Any issue, exception, addition, or omission not brought to the attention of the procurement coordinator before or during the debrief conference may be deemed waived for protest purposes.

### Protests

Following a Debrief Conference, a bidder may protest the award of the contract.

- Criteria for a Protest: A protest may be based only on one or more of the following:

   (a) Bias, discrimination, or conflict of interest on the part of an evaluator;
   (b) Error in computing evaluation scores; or
   (c) Non-compliance with any procedures described in the RFP.
- Initiating a Protest: Any bidder may protest an award to the Apparent Successful Bidder. A protest must: (a) Be submitted to and received by the Procurement Coordinator, within five (5) business days after the Bidder's Debriefing Conference (see Form and Substance, and Other below); (b) Be in writing; (c) Include a specific and complete statement of facts forming the basis of the protest; and (d) Include a description of the relief or corrective action requested.
- Protest Response: After reviewing the protest and available facts, WMD will issue a written response within ten (10) business days from receipt of the protest, unless additional time is needed.
- Decision is Final: The protest decision is final and not subject to administrative appeal. If the protesting bidder does not accept WMD's protest response, the bidder may seek relief in Thurston County Superior Court.

# **Communication During Complaints, Debriefs, and Protests**

All communications about this RFP, including complaints, debriefs, and protests, must be addressed to the Procurement Coordinator unless otherwise directed.

Form, Substance, & Other: All complaints, requests for debrief, and protests must (a) Be in writing; (b) Be signed by the complaining or protesting bidder or an authorized agent, unless sent by email; (c) Be delivered within the time frame(s) outlined herein; (d) Identify the solicitation by WMD number; (e) Conspicuously state "Complaint," "Debrief" or "Protest" in any subject line of any correspondence or email; and (f) Be sent to the address identified in the table below.

 Complaints & Protests: All complaints and protests must (a) State all facts and arguments on which the complaining or protesting bidder is relying as the basis for its action; and (b) Include any relevant documentation or other supporting evidence.

#### Format to submit a Complaint, Debrief, or Protest

#### **Complaint Email**

To: Send to the Procurement Coordinator listed in this RFP.

Subject line must include "Complaint"

#### **Debrief Conference Email**

To: Send to the Procurement Coordinator listed in this RFP.Subject line must include "Debrief"

#### **Protest Email**

To: Send to the procurement coordinator listed in this RFP.

Subject line must include "Protest"

## DIVERSE BUSINESS INCLUSION PLAN – SUBCONTRACTORS FOR BIDDERS WHO PLAN TO UTILIZE SUBCONTRACTORS TO PERFORM THE CONTRACT, IF AWARDED

Competitive Solicitation:	No. RFP24-005
Bidder:	Type/print full legal name of Bidder

#### Attachment F – Diverse Business Inclusion Plan – Subcontractors is divided into the following three sections:

Section 1 – Provides information about WMD small and diverse business opportunities.

Section 2 – Provides instructions and information regarding who must submit **Attachment F** – **Diverse Business Inclusion Plan – Subcontractors** and what is required.

Section 3 – Provides the template for the *Diverse Business Inclusion Plan – Subcontractors* for the above referenced Competitive Solicitation and the information prompts that bidders, if required (i.e., bidder, if awarded, plans to use subcontractors), must complete.

#### SECTION 1: WMD & SMALL/DIVERSE BUSINESSES

As set forth in the Competitive Solicitation (see Attachment G, Section B), WMD, in accordance with Washington law and to the maximum extent practicable, encourages and supports small and diverse businesses to compete for and participate in state procurements as contractors and as subcontractors to awarded bidders. *See, e.g.*, <u>RCW 39.19</u> (OMWBE certified businesses); <u>RCW 43.60A.200</u> (WDVA certified veteran-owned businesses); and <u>RCW 39.26.005</u> (Washington small businesses).

For purposes of this Competitive Solicitation, the following terms have the following meanings:

Small/Diverse Business Category	DEFINITION
Minority-Owned Business:	Limited to firms certified by the Washington State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE) as a minority-owned business (MBE). <i>See</i> , <u>RCW</u> <u>39.19.120</u> and <u>WAC 326-20</u> .
Woman-Owned Business:	Limited to firms certified by the Washington State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE) as a woman-owned business (WBE). <i>See</i> , <u>RCW 39.19.120</u> and <u>WAC 326-20</u> .

Small/Diverse Business Category	DEFINITION				
	Limited to firms certified by the Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) as a Certified Veteran-Owned Business. <i>See</i> , <u>RCW 43.60A.010(7)</u> & <u>RCW 43.60A.190</u> . Such firms must meet four requirements:				
	<ul> <li>51% Ownership. The firm must be at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned and controlled by:</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>A veteran as defined as every person who at the time he or she seeks certification has received a discharge with an honorable characterization or received a discharge for medical reasons with an honorable record, where applicable, and who has served in at least one of the capacities listed in RCW 41.04.007;</li> </ul>				
Veteran-Owned Business:	<ul> <li>A person who is in receipt of disability compensation or pension from the department of veterans affairs; or</li> </ul>				
business.	<ul> <li>An active or reserve member in any branch of the armed forces of the United States, including the national guard, coast guard, and armed forces reserves.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Washington Incorporation/Location. The firm must be <u>either</u> an entity that is incorporated in the state of Washington as a Washington domestic corporation <u>or, if not incorporated</u>, an entity whose principal place of business is located within the State of Washington.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>WEBS Certification. The firm must have certified its Veteran-Owned Business status in Washington's Electronic Business Solution (WEBS).</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>WDVA Certification. The firm must have provided certification documentation to the WDVA and be certified by WDVA and listed as such on WDVA's website (<u>WDVA – Veteran-Owned Businesses</u>).</li> </ul>				

Small/Diverse Business Category	Definition			
Washington Small Business:	<ul> <li>Limited to firms that meet the following three (3) requirements:</li> <li>1. Location. The firm's principal office/place of business must be located in and identified as being in the State of Washington. A principal office or principal place of business is a firm's headquarters where business decisions are made and the location for the firm's books and records as well as the firm's senior management personnel.</li> <li>2. Size. The firm must be owned and operated independently from all other businesses and have either: (a) fifty (50) or fewer employees; or (b) gross revenue of less than seven million dollars (\$7,000,000) annually as reported on the firm's federal income tax return or its return filed with the Washington State Department of Revenue (WDOR) over the previous three consecutive years.</li> <li>3. WEBS Certification. Bidder must have certified its Washington Small Business status in Washington's Electronic Business Solution (WEBS).</li> <li>See, RCW 39.26.010(22) &amp; .010(13).</li> <li>Washington Small Business can also include Minibusinesses and Microbusinesses.</li> <li>Such firms just have a small 'size' requirement:</li> <li>Minibusiness Size Requirement: The firm must be owned and operated independently from all other businesses and have a gross revenue of at least one million dollars (\$1,000,000) but less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) annually as reported on the firm's federal income tax return or its return filed with the WDOR. See, RCW 39.26.010(17).</li> <li>Microbusiness Size Requirement: The firm must be owned and operated independently from all other businesses and have a gross revenue of less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) annually as reported on the firm's federal income tax return or its return filed with the WDOR. See, RCW 39.26.010(17).</li> </ul>			

In support of the state's economic goals and to support a diverse supplier pool, WMD has established the following voluntary numerical goals for WMD Competitive Solicitations:

- Ten percent (10%) Minority-Owned Businesses;
- Six percent (6%) Woman-Owned Businesses;
- Five percent (5%) Veteran-Owned Businesses; and
- Twenty-five percent (25%) Washington Small Businesses, five percent (5%) of which are microbusinesses or minibusinesses as defined in RCW 39.26.010(16) and (17).

Achievement of these goals is encouraged whether directly or through subcontractors.

# SECTION 2: INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING ATTACHMENT F DIVERSE BUSINESS INCLUSION PLAN – SUBCONTRACTORS

- Bidders who, if awarded a Contract, intend to use subcontractors, must complete Attachment F Diverse Business Inclusion Plan – Subcontractors in the form set forth herein. Awarded bidders who do not submit a Diverse Business Inclusion Plan will be precluded from utilizing subcontractors to perform the Contract.
  - Note: Attachment F Diverse Business Inclusion Plan Subcontractors is NOT required if bidder, if awarded, does NOT intend to use subcontractors for this Contract.
- As part of the *Diverse Business Inclusion Plan Subcontractors*, bidder is encouraged to include an anticipated list of small/diverse subcontractors who may assist bidder in fulfilling bidder's contractual obligations, if bidder is awarded a Contract pursuant to this Competitive Solicitation. This list should identify any subcontractors who are small/diverse businesses as defined above.
  - Note: The businesses included in the Diverse Business Inclusion Plan Subcontractors are listed as examples of the businesses that bidder may use as subcontractors and does NOT obligate bidder to utilize those specific businesses in performing the Contract, if awarded. If awarded, the bidder's Diverse Business Inclusion Plan Subcontractor will be incorporated into the terms and conditions of the resulting Contract and bidder will report performance and progress to WMD as set forth in the Contract and in annual contract management meetings.
- 3. Bidders must describe their efforts in engaging and reducing any barriers to participation by small/diverse businesses, including outreach, education/mentorship, and process changes designed to increase small/diverse business participation.
- 4. If the proposed subcontractors are self-identified diverse businesses, bidder will encourage and support efforts for their certification with the appropriate Washington state agencies.
- 5. The small/diverse business goals set forth herein are voluntary. Bidders will not be considered non-responsive if the *Diverse Business Inclusion Plan Subcontractors* has a zero small/diverse business participation amount. WMD, however, encourages bidders to be proactive in engaging small/diverse business participation. No preference will be included in the evaluation of bids based on the *Diverse Business Inclusion Plan Subcontractors*. No minimum level of small/diverse business participation is required as a condition for receiving a Contract award.
- 6. WMD will review the *Diverse Business Inclusion Plan Subcontractors* for a genuine effort and the maximum opportunity to contribute toward WMD aspirational goals. Awarded bidders who utilize subcontractors will meet with WMD annually regarding their small/diverse business aspirational inclusion goals and outreach efforts set forth in their *Diverse Business Inclusion Plan Subcontractors*.

#### SECTION 3: BIDDER'S DIVERSE BUSINESS INCLUSION PLAN - SUBCONTRACTORS

#### 1. BIDDER'S ANTICIPATED DIVERSE BUSINESS PARTICIPATION (GOALS)

List bidder's anticipated small/diverse business category participation goals for subcontractor participation, if bidder is awarded a Contract. Bidders may list any goal amount. These goals are aspirational goals for bidder's use of small/diverse business subcontractors, if awarded a Contract pursuant to this Competitive Solicitation.

SMALL/DIVERSE BUSINESS CATEGORY	WMD GOALS	ANTICIPATED PERCENT OF CONTRACT AMOUNT (GOALS)
Minority-Owned Business	10%	
Woman-Owned Business	6%	
Veteran-Owned Business	6%	
Washington Small Business	25%	

#### 2. BIDDER'S DIVERSE BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING LIST

Provide the firm information of the relevant small/diverse business subcontractors that bidder anticipates utilizing, if awarded a Contract pursuant to this Competitive Solicitation. Please identify the names of the firms as they are listed in Washington's Electronic Business Solution (WEBS) and provide the firm's applicable certification numbers (for Minority, Woman, and Veteran-Owned firms).

STATE CERTIFICATION CATEGORY	LIST OF FIRMS
Minority-Owned Businesses	
Woman-Owned Businesses	
Veteran-Owned Businesses	
Washington Small Businesses	

# 3. DESCRIBE BIDDER'S PLAN TO MEET OR EXCEED BIDDER'S VOLUNTARY DIVERSE BUSINESS INCLUSION PLAN – SUBCONTRACTORS GOALS, INCLUDING OUTREACH.

Response:

4. IDENTIFY BIDDER'S PRIMARY CONTACT FOR BIDDER'S DIVERSE BUSINESS INCLUSION PLAN – SUBCONTRACTORS GOALS.

Response:

Bidder commits to a make a genuine effort to achieve the proposed subcontract amounts with small/diverse business subcontractors as stated above. Bidder will develop a comprehensive outreach strategy that will engage small/diverse businesses registered with the State of Washington in WEBS.

Bidder's Authorized Representative

Dated Signed

Return this Contracts Diverse Business Inclusion Plan – Subcontractors to Procurement Coordinator at: contracts.office@mil.wa.gov

#### DOING BUSINESS WITH THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

#### Washington's Public Records Disclosure Act

This section provides additional information regarding Washington's Public Records Act and doing business with the State of Washington, including WMD's efforts to enable Washington's small, diverse, and veteran-owned businesses to compete for and participate in state procurements for goods/services.

#### 6.1. WASHINGTON'S PUBLIC RECORDS ACT – PUBLIC RECORDS DISCLOSURE REQUESTS.

- All documents (written and electronic) submitted to WMDas part of this procurement are public records. Unless statutorily exempt from disclosure, such records are subject to disclosure *if* requested. See <u>RCW 42.56</u>, Public Records Act. WMD strongly discourages bidders from unnecessarily submitting sensitive information (e.g., information that bidder might categorize as 'confidential,' 'proprietary,' 'sensitive,' 'trade secret,' etc.).
  - If, in bidder's judgment, Washington's Public Records Act provides an applicable statutory exemption from disclosure for certain portions of bidder's bid, please mark the <u>precise</u> <u>portion(s)</u> of the relevant page(s) of the bid that bidder believes are statutorily exempt from disclosure <u>and identify the precise statutory basis for exemption from disclosure</u>.
  - In addition, if, in bidder's judgment, certain portions of bidder's bid are not statutorily exempt from disclosure but are sensitive because these particular portions of bidder's bid (NOT including pricing) include highly confidential, proprietary, or trade secret information (or the equivalent) that bidder protects through the regular use of confidentiality or similar agreements and routine enforcements through court enforcement actions, please mark the precise portion(s) of the relevant page(s) of bidder's bid that include such sensitive information.
- In the event that WMD receives a public records disclosure request pertaining to information that bidder has submitted and marked either as (a) statutorily exempt from disclosure; or (b) sensitive, WMD, prior to disclosure, will do the following:
  - WMD's Public Records Officer will review any records marked by bidder as statutorily exempt from disclosure. In those situations, where the designation comports with the stated statutory exemption from disclosure, WMD will redact or withhold the document(s) as appropriate.
  - For documents marked 'sensitive' or for documents where WMD either determines that no statutory exemption to disclosure applies or is unable to determine whether the stated statutory exemption to disclosure properly applies, WMD will notify bidder, at the address provided in the bid submittal, of the public records disclosure request and identify the date that WMD intends to release the document(s) (including documents marked 'sensitive' or exempt from disclosure) to the requester unless the bidder, at bidder's sole expense, timely obtains a court order enjoining WMD from such disclosure. In the event bidder fails to timely file a motion for a court order enjoining such disclosure, WMD will release the requested document(s) on the date specified. Bidder's failure properly to identify exempted or sensitive information and timely respond after notice of request for public disclosure has been given shall be deemed a waiver by bidder of any claim that such materials are exempt or protected from disclosure.
- 6.2. SMALL & DIVERSE BUSINESSES. WMD in accordance with Washington law, encourages small and diverse businesses to compete for and participate in state procurements as contractors and as subcontractors to awarded bidders. See, e.g., <u>RCW 39.19</u> (OMWBE certified businesses); <u>RCW 43.60A.200</u> (WDVA certified

veteran-owned businesses); and <u>RCW 39.26.005</u> (Washington small businesses). In support of the state's economic goals and to support a diverse supplier pool, WMD has established the following voluntary numerical goals for WMD's Competitive Solicitations:

- Ten percent (10%) Minority-Owned Businesses certified by the Washington State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE);
- Six percent (6%) Women-Owned Businesses certified by the Washington State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE);
- Five percent (6%) Veteran-Owned Businesses certified by the Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA); and
- Twenty-Five percent (25%) Washington Small Businesses, five percent (5%) of which are microbusinesses or minibusinesses as defined in RCW 39.26.010(16) and (17).

Achievement of these goals is encouraged whether directly or through subcontractors.

- OMWBE CERTIFICATION. Bidders may contact the Washington State <u>Office of Minority and Women's</u> <u>Business Enterprises</u> (OMWBE) regarding information on Minority-Owned and Women-Owned certified firms, state and federal certification programs, or to become certified. OMWBE can be reached by telephone, 866-208-1064, or through their website at <u>OMWBE</u>. OMWBE-Certified firms may provide their certification information on *Attachment A3 – Bidder's Profile*.
- WDVA CERTIFICATION. Bidders may contact the <u>Washington State Department of Veterans' Affairs</u> (WDVA) for information regarding Certified Veteran-Owned businesses or to become a Certified Veteran-Owned Business. The WDVA can be reached by telephone, (360) 725-2169, or through their website at <u>WDVA</u>. The qualification requirements to be a Certified Veteran-Owned Business are set forth in *Attachment A2 – Bidder's Certification*.
- WASHINGTON SMALL BUSINESSES. Bidders may contact the WMD about small and diverse business inclusion and qualification as a Washington Small Business. If you qualify as a Washington Small Business, identify yourself as such in WEBS. Call WEBS Customer Service at 360-902-7400. The qualification requirements to self-certify as a Washington Small Business are set forth in Attachment A2 Bidder's Certification.
- 6.3. **WEBS REGISTRATION**. Individuals and firms interested in state contracting opportunities with WMD or any state agency should register for competitive solicitation notices at the Washington Electronic Business Solution (WEBS) <u>WEBS Registration</u>. *Note*: There is no cost to register on WEBS.
- 6.4. **POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS (PCBs) NOTICE**. Polychlorinated biphenyls, commonly known as PCBs, have adverse effects on human health and the environment. Accordingly, the State of Washington, through its procurements of goods, is trying to minimize the purchase of products with PCBS and to incentivize its contractual vendors to sell products and products-in-packaging without PCBs.
- 6.5. **MERCURY FREE PURPOSE STATEMENT**: Mercury has an adverse effect on human health and the environment. Accordingly, the State of Washington, through its procurements of goods, is trying to minimize the purchase of products with mercury and to incentivize vendors to sell products without mercury.
- 6.6. **RECYCLED CONTACT PRODUCTS ENVIRONMENTAL PREFERENCE PURPOSE STATEMENT:** Buying products made from recycled content creates markets for materials collected in residential & business recycling programs. Recycling does not work without end-markets. In addition, buying recycled products supports the development of green technologies, creates jobs and strengthens the local economy, and promotes and supports a more sustainable lifestyle. When manufacturers use recycled material vs. virgin materials to make new products, air and water pollution is reduced, natural resources are conserved, energy is saved,

less water is used, and emissions of greenhouse gases that contribute to global climate change are reduced. Accordingly, the State of Washington through its procurements of goods is trying to maximize the purchase of products made from recycled content and to incentivize its vendors to sell products and products in packaging made with recycled content.

6.7. HYDROFLUOROCARBONS (HFCs) PURPOSE STATEMENT: Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) contribute to climate change and so have an adverse effect on human health and the environment. Accordingly, the State of Washington, through its procurements of goods, is trying to minimize the purchase of products that contain HFCs or contain HFCs with a comparatively low global warming potential and to incentivize its vendors to sell products without HFCs.

#### Resources

- Register for free for solicitation notices at the Washington Electronic Business Solution (WEBS) www.des.wa.gov/services/ContractingPurchasing/Business/Pages/WEBSRegistration.aspx
- If you qualify as a Washington small business, identify yourself in WEBS. Call WEBS Customer Service at 360-902-7400.
- Contact the Washington State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises about state and federal certification programs at Phone 866-208-1064 or <u>www.omwbe.wa.gov</u>
- Contact the Washington State Department of Veterans' Affairs about certification at (360) 725-2169 or www.dva.wa.gov.
- Erin Lopez, Business Diversity and Outreach Manager at the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services: (360) 407-8010 or erin.lopez@des.wa.gov